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CAN'T SENTENCE SUGAR THIEVES

Judge Landis' Ruling After Learning of Pardon Given "Millionaire Cattle King"

Man Who Sold Tubercular Cattle Released From Prison by President

CHICAGO, Dec. 22.—Judge Landis yesterday refused to sentence six business men charged with stealing six sacks of sugar from trains in interstate commerce, after learning that President Wilson had last week granted a pardon to James J. Dorsey, known as the "millionaire cattle king."

Dorsey was sentenced to eight years in federal prison by Judge Landis after conviction of selling several thousand head of tubercular cattle throughout the west under forged papers, representing them as government tested and healthy. He began serving his sentence June 4, 1919. Last July President Wilson granted Dorsey a full pardon, and Judge Landis in open court declared he could not "understand the workings" of the president's mind.

"I can't sentence these men with the Dorsey thing fresh in my mind," Judge Landis declared in court. "Dorsey's activities ran into the thousands of dollars while these men stole only a few hundred dollars' worth of merchandise. I will continue this case indefinitely."

ROUND UP CONTINUES

Two Score More of Suspicious Persons Gathered in by Boston Police

BOSTON, Dec. 22.—Two score more of suspicious persons were gathered in by the police dragnet in the 24 hours ending with roll call today. The drive that is being prosecuted by officers in plain clothes and in uniform in an effort to bring into custody all persons regarded as likely to be involved in spreading here the crime wave that has rolled over other cities has eliminated several hundred persons from participation to date. The need for alertness was emphasized in an order from Police Commissioner Curtis that was repeated at roll call today and which said that officers in pursuit of suspects should go with revolver in hand.

WILL OPPOSE TAXICAB SERVICE ORDINANCE

The ordinance to regulate taxicab service and fares in Lowell as proposed by the chamber of commerce is not going to meet without challenge by the men who are in the taxi and general automobile hire business in this city, it developed today.

A delegation representing a nongovernmental organization of these men was at city hall today interviewing members of the municipal council and City Solicitor William D. Regan on the matter and asked that they be given a hearing if the ordinance is brought to the council. Originally, it had been proposed to put these men under \$1000 bonds, but a strong protest immediately went up. The ordinance now provides that practically every member of their organization carried insurance costing anywhere from \$200 to \$300 per year and they felt that putting them under bonds would be an additional burden unwarranted by local conditions.

The ordinance also has been taken out of the proposed ordinance, according to Secretary George P. Wells of the chamber of commerce and now it is proposed to seek merely regulation of taxi fares. If the ordinance is adopted by the council the fare from the Aldis street station to any point in the downtown section will be 50 cents and to other parts of the city 75 cents. Formerly, the charge has been 75 cents to the downtown section, while the charges for longer rides have been whatever the driver has seen fit to ask.

It has been pointed out that these public service drivers have had few accidents and that there is no stern necessity for deposits of large bonds by them when they carry insurance.

They were assured by members of the city council that a hearing will be held on the proposed ordinance before any action is taken and that they will be notified. Up to date, the chamber of commerce has not sent the ordinance into the council.

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SAYS JUSTICE PREVAILS

Judge Tells Jury, in Closing Court, That Legal System Has Defects

Justice prevails in the long run, despite defects in our system of administering the law, asserted Judge Elias Bishop in addressing the members of the jury panel at the close of the fall session of the superior court in Lowell today.

"There are defects in the jury system," continued the judge, "as there are defects in everything that is human. The jury system, however, has stood for many years. It has stood the test of time since the earliest days when it originated in England. It is the fairest method we can get for determining differences between men."

In opening his address the judge referred to the fact that the session began nearly three months ago, and at that time court and jury members were strangers. He said they had come to know each other better as the days had passed and that in belief of the country and judges he wished to thank the jurors for their services.

He said that the session had lasted 52 days and that 42 verdicts had been rendered in 31 cases. He mentioned the fact that a larger number of verdicts had been returned in favor of plaintiffs than defendants. He said that if the session had lasted longer he should have applauded as fervently those who had not had a chance to serve in the position.

"You have come here to serve the county at a sacrifice," said the judge in closing his remarks to the jurors. "Some of you came at a time when your services were greatly needed elsewhere. I have wondered that some of you have not asked to be excused from your work in court. I know especially of three or four men who have served here at considerable cost to themselves. The spirit you have shown cannot be excelled."

After the usual "Hear ye, hear ye, hear ye" proclamation by Deputy Sheriff George P. Stiles, adjourning the session of the court, a large box of confectionery was presented in behalf of the jury to Mrs. Nellie Wood Freeman, official court stenographer.

Early this afternoon the members of the jury, Judge Bishop and the court officers were present at a dinner in the New American house.

The next session of the superior court in Lowell opens in April.

HOME RULE BILL A TRAP

Passage Makes Settlement More Difficult, Says Irish Paper

DUBLIN, Dec. 22.—Passage of the Irish home rule bill by the British parliament is now viewed as specially important by business men here. It is recognized that the bill probably will not be accepted by either Ulster or the rest of Ireland, and that the British government may never decide to put its provisions into operation.

"Carsonism" has received its reward, says the Freeman's Journal. "The bill was designed as a trap, but it failed to work. Even such modified democratic institutions as we possess are threatened by it."

The Irish Independent says there will be no rejoining in Ireland over the passage of the measure, "which makes a settlement still more difficult."

"Thanks to the house of lords," says the Irish Times, "the bill has ceased to be a measure bringing about absolute and permanent partition of Ireland and the central council, which is established, may become a real link between the north and the south."

NO SKATING YET AT SHEDD PARK

Unless much colder weather sets in at once there is little probability that there will be skating at Shedd park for Christmas. The water department has sent half a million gallons of water into the skating rink but most of it has been absorbed in the earth. What has remained on the surface would provide about an acre of skating room if it became frozen, but the thermometer has not yet dropped enough to bring this about.

This evening repairs are to be made at the West Sixth street pumping station and it will be impossible for the water department to send more water to the park for a day or so. It is probable that no further attempt will be made to flood the park until the frost gets a more solid grip on the ground.

SOMEBODY IS SAVING THE MONEY YOU WASTE

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Member - Federal Reserve System.

Interest in Savings Department begins Jan. 1st.

Jas. E. O'Donnell

Counsellor at Law

ROOM 22, 45 MERRIMACK ST.

Counsel for Arthur Mudgett, on Trial for Murder of Amy Shonio, Springs Surprise

BRUTAL MURDER OF MacCARTAIN

Miss Walsh Says Mayor of Cork Shot Down in Presence of Wife and Children

Declares She Was Locked in Vermin-Infested Cell and Jeered by Police

WASHINGTON, Dec. 22.—Miss Susanna Walsh, sister-in-law of the late Lord Mayor MacCurtain of Cork, told today to the commission of the committee of 100 investigating conditions in Ireland, the story of the killing of the mayor, last March 20. She declared he was shot down by Royal Irish Constabulary in the presence of his wife and two small children. Twenty raids had been made on his home previous to the killing and some since, she said.

She declared that she was held up at the point of a pistol in her home a week before she left Cork and questioned concerning inmates of the house and that on another occasion she was locked in a vermin-infested cell and jeered by the police.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 22.—Two witnesses of the recent burning of the business section of the city of Cork, Misses Annie and Susan Walsh, sisters-in-law of the late Lord Mayor MacCurtain of that city, were here today before the committee of 100, investigating conditions in Ireland. They also were present at the killing of Mayor MacCurtain.

DISTINGUISHED VISITOR HERE FROM JAPAN

Lowell had a distinguished visitor from Japan in her midst today when J. Noda secretary to the Japanese consulate general in New York, visited the rooms of the chamber of commerce seeking information as to the cotton and woolen industry in this city and other communities of the state. Secretary George P. Wells of the chamber outlined Lowell's activities in this respect and later in the day Mr. Noda went to the Lowell Textile school to garner further information.

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CAR SERVICE RESUMED ON CENTRAL BRIDGE

Electric car service was resumed on the Central bridge at 12:25 this afternoon after an interruption of more than a month due to repairs to the structure. A car loaded with rail-weighing approximately 45 tons was sent over the bridge on the inbound or upstream track and made the journey safely. Inasmuch as this is twice the weight of the ordinary passenger car, when filled to capacity, it was deemed safe to allow a resumption of traffic and all lines running into the Centralville section were on regular schedule this afternoon.

The passage of the first car was witnessed by City Engineer Stephen Kearney, P. H. Walker, engineer of the Eastern Massachusetts Street Railway company, Louis E. Moore, railway officer of the public service commission, and other officials.

Work will be continued on the other track and it is expected that both tracks will be available for traffic late in January.

The railway officials have made arrangements for cross-over at either end of the bridge and a set of signals has been installed in Bridge street so that there will be no confusion in the use of the one track available over the bridge.

City Engineer Kearney made the following statement this afternoon relative to the present status of the repairs of the bridge:

A few weeks ago the city let a contract to repair a portion of Central bridge. This contract took care of the outbound track only, and it called for replacement of the old wooden stringers by steel beams in stripping the wood work preparatory for the steel, a good many of the timbers were found to be in very poor condition. In many places they were so rotten that they could not be stripped. This stripping allowed a free examination of the timbers under the inbound rail, and these were found to be in better condition than those under the outbound rail. At a number of points under the inbound rail to have temporarily strengthened the bridge so as to enable the city to use the inbound track for traffic. To satisfy the public that this is so, he has run over a work car loaded with rails of a weight twice that of any load presently on the bridge. This allows the use of one track while the work is being done on the other, which, at the present rate, will not be finished until late in January.

NEW YORK, Dec. 22.—Exchanges \$753,862,550; balances \$57,471,951.

IT'S A GOOD TIME

To begin thinking of beginning the New Year right. We all think it and most of us will need to. It's a good time to INTRODUCE YOUR WIFE in the simple, orderly way of handling her House Accounts on the Budget basis with a Check Account. It is but her Due and Sensible Duty and it should please her to have a Check Account. There is no question but that she will be pleased at the careful attention given to her.

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PRESENTS A NEW WITNESS

Man Says He Saw Girl With a Tall Woman on the Night of Murder

Were at the Place in Johnson Where Shonio Girl's Body Was Later Found

HYDE PARK, Vt., Dec. 22.—Counsel for Arthur Mudgett, on trial for the murder of Amy Shonio, surprised the courtroom today when he presented a witness who testified that he saw a girl answering the description of Miss Shonio with a tall woman on the night of July 31, at the place in Johnson, where the girl's body was later found. The witness placed the meeting of this woman and Amy Shonio at 7 o'clock, which is approximately the time the state alleges that the murder was committed.

The new witness was Fred Ober, a retail monument dealer of Morrisville. He said he kept a diary and that his business trips showed he was in Johnson on July 31. He said he had some work to do on a monument in the cemetery close to where the Shonio girl's body was found. He worked from 3 p. m. to 7 p. m., or until it became dark. He testified that at about 7 o'clock he noticed a young woman come down a path wearing a red sweater and dark colored skirt. She went over to some bushes near a stone pile on the hill. He went to the pile to get a drink of water and again noticed the girl walking rapidly down the hill past a barn to the road. He saw another woman about six feet in height approaching from the other direction. The tall woman wore a long black cape.

The two met and walked over near the crest of the hill by the edge and almost out of sight. They were standing up. He saw the smaller woman turn and start to run and then stop and walk. He then saw that she wore white shoes and stockings. After she had gone a few rods, she turned and looked at him. Then she walked back up the hill to the taller woman. The taller woman had something white in her hand, and when the wind blew it unfolded and he saw it was cloth of considerable size.

As he picked up his tools to go home, Ober saw the tall woman standing alone and facing him. She put her hands up to her head. He fixed his eye and when he turned to look again the tall woman had disappeared.

He went over into the field but could find no trace of anyone. The witness was cross-examined at length by Attorney General Archibald for the state.

EXPLOSION KILLS FOUR

SCRANTON, Pa., Dec. 22.—Four men were killed and two injured in an explosion today in the pressing and packing mill of the Du Pont Powder Co., at Belin village, near Moosic, seven miles from here. The property damage amounted to about \$10,000. The plant handles commercial powder largely for the anthracite industry.

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FUND IS STILL CLIMBING

Deacon A. D. Carter Gives \$1000 Boost to Campaign for Starving Children

The fund for the relief of the starving children of Europe, to be expended under the direction of Mr. Hoover's European relief committee, is rapidly mounting toward the \$10,000 mark.

The first sizable contribution of the campaign has been made by Deacon A. D. Carter, who has given \$1000. In a letter accompanying his subscription, he says:

"The need of the starving children, as shown by Mr. Hoover, is very urgent. At this Christmas season, when we are exchanging our gifts, I am sure we shall enjoy them all the more if we share them with the needy ones, and I think it will be a joy for my heart to feel that I am saving the lives of 100 of them."

With \$10,000 set as the quota for Lowell to raise, if the city is to do its part toward bringing nourishment to the hungry little ones, and with but three more days of the campaign remaining, an intensive movement of cash in the direction of the Union National bank, where George H. Chandler, treasurer of the fund, receives contributions, will be necessary.

Unless the city is to be recorded in the "also ran" class, when the total of the nation-wide subscriptions is made up, an average of \$10,000 a day must be raised between now and the setting of the sun on Christmas day.

It is pointed out that so small a sum Continued on Page 12

NO MORE WORK

For Men In Street or Buildings Departments Unless Names Are on Civil Service List

No more men will be put to work in either the street or buildings departments of this city unless their names are on the civil service list as eligible for temporary employment.

This ultimatum was delivered today by Commissioners Dennis A. Murphy and George E. Marchand, respectively heads of these departments. In the given temporary employment, especially in the street department, where their names have not been on the list of eligibles. But now the civil service authorities are bringing their regulations strictly enforced and threaten drastic procedure if further violations are noted.

Commissioner Marchand says that his department and that of Commissioner Murphy are receiving the lion's share of applications for work in this present period of unemployment. They have exerted every effort, he says, to meet the demands made upon them, but have now reached the limit.

Commissioner Murphy says that his finances will allow the employment of no more men. There is little work to do at this season of the year and even less money to do it on, he says.

THE LOCAL MILLS

The Massachusetts, the Tremont & Suffolk and the Boot mills will shut down tonight until next Monday morning, while the Appleton will suspend operation Friday night. The Merrimack mills shut down last Saturday night.

The bodies of about 500 American soldiers, who died in England, are to remain permanently in that country by request of the families of the men.

No Pardons for Murderers, Robbers, Etc.

TRENTON, N. J., Dec. 22.—Because of the "unusual number of crimes throughout the country" the court of pardons today passed a resolution not to give pardons or parole before expiration of minimum sentences for murder, robbery, burglary and like offenses. Exceptions would be made only where unusual circumstances merit a favorable recommendation. Only 78 prison and eight penitentiary paroles were recommended out of 446 applications.

Many Killed in Serious Labor Riot

LONDON, Dec. 22.—A serious labor riot occurred recently in Petrograd in which many persons were killed or injured, says a Helsingfors despatch to the Central News under yesterday's date. The riot was crushed and 105 laborers were executed, the despatch adds. The trouble started when the soviet authorities refused the demand of the city laborers for more food and shortening of the working day, which is 16 hours.

Failure of N. Y. Brokerage Firm

NEW YORK, Dec. 22.—Failure of the brokerage firm of Foster & Lounsbery was announced from the rostrum of the stock exchange shortly after the opening today. The firm has done business on the exchange for nearly 20 years. Foster & Lounsbery are understood to have been active traders in Vanadium Steel, which was one of the stocks that led in the recent heavy reactions on the market. The failure which was unexpected in financial circles, was regarded as the most important recently.

Navy Balloon Missing Nine Days

ROCKAWAY, N. Y., Dec. 22.—The navy balloon A-5308, which left here nine days ago in a flight was still missing today and officers at the naval air station were without a word of any character from the three officers on board. While hope has not been abandoned, grave fears are entertained.

Fiume Besieged by Italian Regulars

UDINE, Italy, Dec. 22.—(By Associated Press)—Fiume, the stronghold of Captain Gabriele d'Annunzio, the insurgent Italian leader, is besieged by regular Italian forces.

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205 ARRESTED IN N. Y. RAIDS

Men and Women Taken From All Night Entertainment Resorts

Rifle Squad With Orders to Shoot to Kill Round-up 15 Persons

NEW YORK, Dec. 22.—More than 200 men and five women, arrested in two raids on all night entertainment resorts were lined up at various police stations today to be questioned by detectives regarding their recent activities. The detectives sought persons who might throw light upon the search for solutions of the many holdups and murders of the last few days.

One of the raids was on an east side restaurant, and the other on an up-town "club house." The plain clothes detectives purchased tickets to the performance and uniformed men, who made the arrests were stationed outside.

Fifteen arrests were reported by the rifle squad of twenty sharpshooters who toured the city all night with orders from Police Commissioner Enright to shoot to kill. Some of them were released on bail before the police lineup.

BOY LOSES LIFE IN BEAVER BROOK

Raymond Mochrie, eight-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Mochrie, of Upham street, Braintree, lost his life late yesterday afternoon while attempting to cross the ice on Beaver brook near the Merrimack woolen mills in the Navy Yard section of the town. The unfortunate accident was the first thin-ice drowning fatality of the present season.

The Mochrie boy and several companions were on their way home from school and attempted to take a short cut by crossing the brook on the thin ice that formed there Monday. He had reached the center of the brook in safety but here the ice gave way and he fell into the deep channel which runs at this point. His cries and those of his companions failed to summon assistance and his body sank into the water.

A number of similar accidents have occurred at this particular spot and most of them have been fatal, owing to the depth of the channel of the brook. This is the second drowning accident in the Mochrie family. Seventeen years ago, another son, then eight years of age, was drowned in the Western canal.

The Mochrie boy is survived by his parents, three sisters, Marion, Margaret and Helen, and two brothers, Robert J. and Harold Mochrie.

As soon as the fate of the youngster became known grappling for the body started under the direction of Undertakers J. F. O'Donnell & Sons, but up to an early hour this afternoon the body had not been recovered.

The new army gas mask, instead of being carried on the chest fits under the armpit, and one motion enables the wearer to get it on his head.

ARMY FLIER TRYING FOR RECORD FORCED DOWN

MINEOLA, N. Y., Dec. 22.—Lieut. Ross C. Kirkpatrick, army flier, who was forced down early today, while attempting to break the world's record for continuous flight, will have another try at the record soon, he declared upon alighting from his 400-horse power army plane.

He landed at Mitchell field at 1:25 o'clock this morning, owing to a gas-line leak after being in the air a little more than 15 hours—about six hours short of the record.

The army flier and Max Goodenough, his civilian mechanic, made several efforts to mend the pipe, but the tank was located under the cockpit, and was inaccessible in mid-air. The fuel supply was virtually exhausted when they came to earth.

Except for this mishap, the aviators declared they could have kept up the flight 15 hours more.

The record for continuous flight is held by Lieut. Houssoutrot, a French pilot, who remained in the air 21 hours, 15 minutes and 7 seconds last June.

\$1,000,000 Fire Loss at Venice, Cal.

VENICE, Cal., Dec. 22.—Damage estimated at \$1,000,000 was caused by fire which burned for two hours on the amusement pier here last night. Charles Kirby, a volunteer fireman, fell with the roof of one structure, and suffered burns from which he died.

Pres. Wilson Goes Window Shopping

WASHINGTON, Dec. 22.—President Wilson went window shopping on F street yesterday, viewing the Christmas crowds and the brightly decorated shops from an open automobile. Accompanied by Mrs. Wilson, he was driven slowly down one side of the street, which is the main artery of the capital's shopping district and back up the other, few in the hurrying crowds of shoppers recognizing him.

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UNITED STATES CARTRIDGE CO.
The entire plant of the United States Cartridge company will close Friday night and remain closed until January 3 to take inventory. A few employees will be held to assist in the work of the stock-taking.

The road from Palmyra to Burlington, N. J., has been named St. Michel drive.

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THIRD FLOOR

THE EVICTION OF TENANTS

(Special to The Sun.)
STATE HOUSE, Boston, Dec. 22.—Earnest efforts are being made by the state commission on necessities of life to prevent what it terms "inhuman and brutal" evictions of tenants by landlords.

Agents of the commission have been covering the larger cities of the state, and whenever they learn of a contemplated eviction they notify headquarters in Boston. Then if the facts seem to warrant, the landlord receives from the commission a letter substantially as follows:

"Your tenant..... has appealed to this commission in reference to difficulties encountered in vacating your premises.

"The industrial depression has affected nearly all lines of business causing widespread unemployment, and with the present high cost of living, suffering and hardship have resulted in many families. We strongly urge that leniency be shown your tenant in effecting readjustment.

"We sincerely trust that we may have your co-operation and that you will not resort to inhuman or brutal methods in vacating this case. Kindly advise this office of your attitude in this connection."

In nearly every instance the landlord to whom such a letter has been sent has accepted it in the spirit in which it was written, the practical reason being that no landlord is anxious to put himself "in bad" with the commission.

ASSESSING PROPERTY
Some definite recommendation as to changes in the methods of assessing property in this city will probably be forthcoming this evening at the chamber of commerce rooms when the chamber's committee on municipal affairs, John M. O'Donoghue, chairman, will meet. The committee will consider a report to be submitted by Herbert J. Ball on the so-called Cambridge system of assessing which divides the city into zones in determining property values.

BOY STILL MISSING
On thousand notices have been sent out to the police of surrounding cities and towns by Superintendent Welch of the local department asking them to be on the look-out for Victor Dixon, age 9 years, kidnapped from the Moody school about one year ago. Description given declares the boy of light complexion, height 1 foot, 8 inches, and weight about 80 pounds. Information should be given either to the police or to William Dixon, 75 Davidson street, Lowell.

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METHODS OF CANDIDATES Bill to Disqualify For Office Any Incumbent Convicted of Slander or Libel Filed With Clerk of House

(Special to The Sun.)
STATE HOUSE, Boston, Dec. 22.—A bill to disqualify for public office any incumbent who is convicted of slander or libel of an opponent was filed with the clerk of the house today upon petition of Robert M. Washburn, late independent republican candidate for lieutenant-governor.

The bill is obviously an outcome of the Fuller-Warner controversy which arose just prior to the September primaries. It will be recalled that Fuller made sensational charges against Warner, that the latter was defeated, and that Washburn thereupon became an independent candidate against Fuller, receiving 122,000 votes. Recently Speaker Warner filed suit against Fuller, seeking damages of \$100,000.

Mr. Washburn's bill, which is entitled "An Act to regulate the political methods of candidates for public office," is as follows:

Section 1. In an action for slander or libel, criminal or civil, or words published in a campaign for a nomination or election, where the defendant has been elected to a public office, upon a verdict of guilty or upon a recovery of judgment for the plaintiff, the court shall enter a decree declaring void the election of the defendant to the office to which he has been elected, and declaring the office vacant. If the aggrieved person, or the plaintiff, shall prove to the satisfaction of the court that he was defeated for such election because of such slander or libel, the court shall declare him to be the lawful incumbent of such office; and, upon duly qualifying, therefor, as required by law, he shall be duly recognized as such.

Section 2. Upon motion which shall be in order at any time before the action is placed upon the "short list," so-called, the court shall advance such action for speedy trial.

Section 3. In an action for slander or libel, a verdict of guilty, or a recovery of judgment for the plaintiff, shall be equivalent to a finding that the defendant has committed a corrupt practice under section thirty-seven of chapter fifty-five of the general laws.

and subject to the penalties therein set out.
Section 4. This act shall take effect on its passage.
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SPECIAL MEETING

Friends of Irish Freedom Will Hold Special Meeting in Hilberian Hall This Evening
The Friends of Irish Freedom will hold a special meeting this evening in Hilberian hall, 145 Middle street, to elect officers for 1921. All members having coupon books are asked to make returns for the same this evening so that the funds may be sent as speedily as possible to people now suffering in Cork, Ireland.

ASST. POSTMASTER ARRESTED
HONOLULU, Dec. 22.—Assistant Postmaster W. C. Peterson has been arrested here accused of failing to deposit postage funds in the treasury and failing to pay the postmaster general such funds.
Postmaster D. H. Maxham stated the shortage exceeded \$20,000 and that Peterson admitted the shortage, but said he did not know where the funds went.

"Christmas Burglar With a Heart"

CHICAGO, Dec. 22.—A "Christmas burglar with a heart" heeded the pleas of Ruth Mailey, aged 10, not to take her Christmas presents when she found him in her home yesterday on her return home for lunch. The burglar was eating her lunch, which had been left by her mother before going downtown shopping. He took her to the parlor and played little jingles and Christmas songs on the piano for her. When she told him she would have to return to school, he said: "Tell your mother I'll return some day and steal everything in the house," but he left without taking anything.

Several Hundred Killed in R. R. Wreck

LONDON, Dec. 22.—A Central News despatch from Helsingfors, Finland, under Tuesday's date, says that several hundred persons were killed or injured in a railway accident near Petrograd. The accident was due, it is stated, to overcrowding of a train, but details are lacking.

A 10% Reduction

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Armour Star, lb..... 27¢
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Morris Supreme, lb..... 27¢
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ORANGES, NUTS, CANDY | CELERY, SQUASH, TURNIPS

TABLE RAISINS

CHEESE—ALL KINDS

PORK

Small Lean Loins, lb.,..... 22¢
Small Fresh Shoulders, lb.... 18¢
Lean Fresh Butts, lb..... 16¢
Pork Chops, lb..... 28¢

SAUSAGE

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Sausage Meats, lb..... 25¢
Large Pork-Sausage, lb..... 27¢
Small Pork-Sausage, lb..... 28¢
Tomato Sausage, lb..... 25¢

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BILLION EARNED BY U. S. MERCHANT FLEET

NEW YORK, Dec. 22.—More than \$1,000,000 in gross revenue has been earned by the government controlled merchant fleet since it began operation, Chairman Eason of the shipping board declared last night in an address before the municipal club of Brooklyn.

While the board cannot show a profit as large as would have been the case if the fleet had been privately owned, Chairman Eason said this million dollars stayed in this country and but for the possession of a fleet built by the government would have been spent for the use of foreign bottoms. Had there been no nation able to take up Germany's position when her maritime power was wiped out, he asserted, ocean carrying tonnage would have been monopolized by Great Britain, "whose crying trade needs naturally would have come first."

A great deal of dissatisfaction arising from recent developments will disappear, the chairman declared through realization that the country has a great fleet of vessels profitably employed in spreading the products of America to all parts of the world.

HIGHLANDS COUNCIL

A meeting of the Highlands council of the American Association for Recognition of the Irish Republic, was held last evening and the various workers in the membership drive were allotted their districts and sub-districts. The council organized temporarily and then adjourned until next Tuesday when officers will be elected. A similar meeting will be held this evening in St. Patrick's school hall in Suffolk street for the "Acres" district.

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AID FOR CHILDREN OF THE NEAR EAST

A touching appeal is being made to the people of Lowell to come to the assistance of the homeless and hungry children of the Near East by a committee of which Samuel H. Thompson, 121 School street, is the treasurer.

The fund is to help care for 110,000 orphaned children, who are suffering from want of food, and whose only succor from starvation as well as protection from extermination, by the Turks, must come from workers employed by the committee in charge of the fund.

The subscriptions received to date are:

John E. Foster	10.00
George M. Heath	5.00
Charles S. Proctor	10.00
George R. Dana	10.00
Frank P. Cheney	10.00
Harvey B. Greene	10.00
Emma B. Marshall	5.00
Women's Association of Eliot Union church	30.00
Josiah Butler	10.00
John W. Cole	10.00
William A. Arnold	2.00
Eva P. Cunnack	10.00
C. Forrest Marlin, M.D.	25.00
Donald M. Cameron	50.00
Mrs. Valtes	1.00
Chelmsford St. Baptist Church	105.00
Albert B. Morton	25.00
Previously acknowledged	944.50
Total	\$1,275.50

FOUR CHARGED WITH MURDER DISCHARGED

MASSACHUSETTS, Dec. 22.—The four defendants charged with the murder by poisoning of Fred B. Shepard, wealthy Georgia peach grower, last June, were discharged last night by Judge Mathews, before whom they had been arraigned at a preliminary hearing.

Judge Mathews held that even if Shepard had been poisoned the state had not presented evidence sufficient to connect the defendants with the deed. Testimony of medical experts he also said, had been conflicting.

The defendants were: Shepard's widow, Mrs. Pauline Shepard; her son, Ernest; her sister, Mrs. Annie C. Fitzgerald; and Mrs. Annie C. Fitzgerald. The state had charged they had poisoned Shepard in a plot to obtain possession of his money.

SOLDIER LISTED AS DEAD COMES HOME

PASSAIC, N. J., Dec. 22.—With a gold star opposite his name on Passaic's roll of honor, Lloyd A. Bogart, former local high school athlete, returned yesterday from the military service. He was reported by the Red Cross as killed in action in France more than two years ago and had been enlisted in all the town's memorial exercises.

Bogart explained his absence by relating discharge difficulties resulting because he arbitrarily decided in 1917 that he preferred service in the marine corps to that in the army in order that he might be sent overseas earlier. He said he did not wish to inform relatives and friends of his whereabouts pending honorable release from the service. Having been discharged from the marine corps, Bogart presented himself at Governor's Island last October, made a voluntary confession and yesterday was given an honorable discharge from his original army enlistment.

9-YEAR-OLD BOY STABS PLAYMATE

NEW YORK, Dec. 22.—Fighting with a playmate for possession of a stray dog, Frank Verrillo, 9, was stabbed, probably fatally, here last night.

James Romanello, 9, with a dirty little ferrier at his heels, walked into a police station and surrendered himself.

"I'm sorry," he wanted to take the dog away from me. I didn't mean to hurt him," he said.

James was given into the custody of Children's society officials.

The ferrier, its tail between its legs, scurried away.

CHRISTMAS PARTY

A successful Christmas party in the form of a dance and social was held last evening at the Community Service club. The affair was organized as a last attempt to raise money for the club and the receipts of the evening were very substantial. About 500 young people were in attendance and all thoroughly enjoyed the dance program. During the evening the drawing contest for a large turkey was brought to a close, the lucky winner being Edward Gagnon of Cheever street. The party was under the supervision of Miss Anna Tierney, assisted by Misses Julia McCaffrey, Ruth Dinton and Laura Fisher.



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SUITABLE "GIFT THAT
LASTS" FOR HIM
OR HER?

Step In To
RICARD'S
123 CENTRAL ST.
"The Gift House"

RECORD CROWD AT ELLIS ISLAND

NEW YORK, Dec. 22.—Immigration officials at Ellis Island are preparing for the greatest Christmas rush of immigrants in the history of this port. Special plans have been made to expedite the movement of between 20,000 and 30,000 newcomers during the few days preceding the holiday.

Thousands of immigrants timed their departure from Europe so that they might spend Christmas with relatives in this country and the immigration authorities have speeded up the inspection machinery to make this possible.

Despite the extra efforts, officials say thousands will be disappointed. Christmas day is expected to find Ellis Island overflowing with immigrants and several ships awaiting to unload their human freight. Recently immigrants have been arriving at the rate of more than 2000 daily and more than 20,000 have been in transit on the ocean at this time.

Welfare organizations have offered their co-operation to the island officials to bring a bit of holiday cheer to the newcomers who may be there Christmas day.

With the high tide of incoming Europeans, there has also been a large emigration from this port during the past month. The outgoing are mostly persons who were returning to Europe for a visit and to pass the holidays with the "old folks." A small proportion announced their intention of remaining abroad using their savings in the upbuilding of business under new conditions.

DRY AGENTS MUST HAVE WARRANTS

BOSTON, Dec. 22.—The suggestion that prohibition enforcement officers, who seized liquor without a warrant might be held personally liable, was made by Federal Judge Morton yesterday. Henry Godat had petitioned the court for a writ of mandamus against the supervising federal prohibition agent, William J. McCarthy, seeking return of an automobile and 123 bottles of whiskey taken from a garage in the Brighton district on Dec. 6.

Testimony was that the officers, who made the seizure, had no warrant and that two days later when they applied for one, United States Commissioner Hayes refused to issue it.

Turning to counsel for Godat, Judge Morton said: "Why don't you proceed to enforce personal liability against the persons who made the seizure? Why shouldn't you make them liable? Why shouldn't you make them liable? Why shouldn't you make them liable?"

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FIREMEN SHOW SPEED

The triple combination crew of the Branch street engine house was given a speed test by Chief Saunders last evening and the result proved very gratifying. Early in the evening the chief took an unexpected call to the company to report at Liberty and Pine streets, hitch to a hydrant, lay hose and have a stream of water working as quick as possible. He noted the time when he sent the call and then hurried to the scene, covering the distance in a little over six and one-half minutes. When he arrived there the engine was pumping a good stream of water through several feet of hose. The truck company of the same house was next called upon to raise a 55-foot extension ladder against the Morey school and within the minute and 21 seconds the ladder was in place and men were climbing it. Chief Saunders was elated with the test.

O.S.I. CADET BASKETBALL TEAM

At its first meeting for practice last evening the O.S.I. cadet basketball team elected Daniel O'Connor captain. Rev. Fr. Sullivan, O.M.I., then announced the appointment of Francis Gargan as manager. The practice last night, being the first, was taken seriously. With one or two weeks' practice the team will be ready to challenge some of the best teams of the city. The members of this year's team are: D. O'Connor, J. O'Connor, J. Curran, J. Flanagan, J. Nelligan, J. Cassidy, R. Thomas, and F. Gargan. The next practice will be held tomorrow evening in the cadet armory and those members desiring to arrange for games may meet Manager Gargan at that time.

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Envelope Chemises . . . \$1.50	Corset Covers . . . 79¢
Special Christmas styles, made of fine nainsook and figured silk batiste; white or flesh color. Lace, hemburg or ribbon trimmings. In holly boxes.	Made of fine underwear cotton, with back and front trimming of lace or hemburg.
Envelope Chemises . . . \$2.00	Lingerie Blouses . . . \$2.50
Deep yokes front and back of fine lace and embroidery. Also flesh color models of fine baliste, with wide satin tops. All boxed.	All new styles, made from finest French voile. With or without collars, round or square neck. Lace or embroidery, ribbon and pearl buttons are used effectively as trimmings. In holly boxes.
Envelope Chemises . . . \$2.50	Night Gowns . . . \$1.50
Crepe de chine and satin of good quality. Cut large and well made; lace trimmed. Flesh color only. Christmas boxes.	In attractive holiday boxes. Pretty gowns, low necks, short sleeves, with hemburg, lace or embroidery trimmings. All sized.
Camisoles . . . \$1.00	Gowns . . . \$2.00
Crepe de chine and satin, trimmed with very fine laces. Flesh color, also brown, green and black.	Very fine nainsook, made in several different styles. Dainty lace and ribbon, also hemburg yokes. Holly boxes.
Camisoles . . . \$1.50	Gowns . . . \$2.50
White, flesh color, dark brown, blue, black and dresden. All satin, with lace, embroidery or hemstitch trimmings. Large and small sizes.	Extra fine materials, made in new and dainty styles. Low necks, short sleeves. Generous trimmings of lace, hemburg and satin ribbon. In boxes.
Petticoats . . . \$2.50	White Petticoats . . . \$1.50
Extra fine white cambric with good fitting bodies and deep flounces of dainty lace and hemburg. In attractive holiday boxes.	Made of good wearing cambric, with flounces of pretty hemburg. In boxes.
	Petticoats . . . \$2.00
	With wide ruffles, fine lace or hemburg, in a variety of patterns. Christmas boxes.

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FRESH KILLED NORTHERN GEESE 48c Lb.	Fancy New Mixed Nuts, Lb. . . . 30¢ Large Juicy Oranges, Doz. . . . 29¢ Large, Heavy Grapefruit. . . . 3 for 25¢	FANCY FRESH KILLED DUCKS 48c Lb.
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FRESH ROAST PORK, lb. . . . 22c

FANCY SIRLOIN ROAST 35c Lb.	FRESH THICK RIB Cut from heavy steers 12c Lb.	FANCY FIRST RIB ROAST 28c Lb.
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Leg and Loin of Winter Lamb, lb. . . . 19c

HEAVY TOP ROUND STEAK 38c Lb.	FANCY CAPE COD CRANBERRIES 15c Qt.	FANCY SIRLOIN STEAK 40c Lb.
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OAKDALE CREAMERY BUTTER, lb. 45c

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MRS. ELLEN O'GRADY SETS OFF A BOMB

BY E. M. THIERRY

NEW YORK, Dec. 22.—A gray-haired woman is responsible for the greatest police explosion in New York since the Becker case.

Thousands of policemen and hundreds of politicians are on the anxious seat because of the revelations Mrs. Ellen O'Grady, just resigned as fifth deputy police commissioner, threatens to make. They wonder:

Will Mrs. O'Grady dare make good her threat to reveal "a thousand and one things about the police department?"

Or will she be as helpless to expose the inner workings of the police system as she was to put through her policies as a deputy police commissioner?

Mrs. Ellen O'Grady, like some other women raised to political office, ran against

the invisible stone wall hidden among the mysteries of "practical politics."

She had spent many years as a probation officer. Encomiums were showered on her by Mayor Hylan. She was appointed fifth deputy in charge of policewomen.

"I found," said Mrs. O'Grady, "that I no longer would be allowed to give the women, the young girls, the children of New York a square deal."

"They said I was to confine my efforts to protecting children—but I was to keep away from Broadway. They didn't want me to keep the women off the streets in the White Light district. But I refused to let them suppress me."

Charges Hounding

Mrs. O'Grady in resigning charged she had been hounded. Among other things she said she had been thwarted in an attempt to arrest two rich men who had lured two 17-year-old girls to a Riverside Drive apartment and mistreated them.

"I know I made good," said Mrs. O'Grady. "Last year 14,000 youngsters were checked on the road to delinquency."

Commissioner Enright has denied all Mrs. O'Grady's charges.

MAN SOUGHT FOR YEAR IS CAUGHT

WASHINGTON, Dec. 22.—Isidore (Nick) Cohn, long sought by the police of New York, Washington and other cities in connection with \$3,000,000 bond theft conspiracy of a year ago in Wall street, was arrested last night at the Union station here while supped on his way from Cleveland to New York.

Two detectives of the Washington police force placed Cohn under arrest as he was waiting in the station for a train for New York. He was charged with conspiring to bring stolen securities into the District of Columbia, an offense charged in indictments returned last spring by a federal grand jury and on which four of his alleged confederates, including Jules W. (Nick) Anstien, are now standing trial in the District of Columbia supreme court.

HELD CHRISTMAS TREE EXERCISES

The Lowell telephone operators held their annual Christmas tree in Lincoln hall last evening. The affair was in the form of a brief business meeting followed by general dancing, interspersed with musical and literary numbers and the distribution of gifts to all present.

About 100 girls were in attendance and during the brief business session, which was presided over by Miss Helen M. Moran, routine business was transacted. Those who contributed to the entertainment were Miss Frances Johnson and Miss Kathleen Jennings. The role of Santa Claus was played by Miss Catherine Roughan, Miss Kitty Connolly and Miss Sadie Hughes, and every girl present was remembered with a gift. The affair was very successful and provided great enjoyment for all.

Shaving Mirrors

Just the thing for adjusting to all kinds of light. An extension mirror that sets back close to the wall or may be extended 18 inches in any direction. Glass (fits at various angles. Mirror of heavy plate, 8 inches in diameter, metal work heavily nickel'd.

\$6.00 and \$7.00

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DIRECTS SURGERY IN SEA STORM BY WIRELESS

BOSTON, Dec. 22.—How the chief surgeon on the Leyland liner Winifredian directed by wireless the setting of seamen's broken bones and the care of internal injuries on the Belgian steamer Menapier after she had been badly battered by a hurricane was told yesterday when the Winifredian reached port from Liverpool. The surgeon is Patrick Burns of Providence, a veteran of the medical service in the world war.

An S.O.S. message from the Belgian ship requesting medical aid for seamen injured by the heavy seas was picked up by the Winifredian several days out. The distressed steamer, bound for Antwerp from New Orleans, was 100 miles away but under forced draught the Winifredian got within hauling distance in a few hours.

"Hit hard by a hurricane," stated the Belgian captain. "Several others have broken legs and arms and some injured internally. There's no doctor aboard. Can you help us?"

Dr. Burns attempted to put out in a lifeboat, but toppling seas and a strong wind prevented the launching. He then conceived the idea of using the wireless to instruct the uninjured members of the Menapier's crew how to set their comrades' broken bones and ease their suffering.

Details after detail as to the men's condition spluttered off the receiver in the Winifredian's wireless room and carefully Dr. Burns dictated treatment required. For three days the two vessels lay within hauling dis-



MARTHA NEUMARK
SHE'LL BE FIRST WOMAN RABBI

Upon completing her course of study at the Hebrew Union college in Cincinnati, Miss Martha Neumark of Cincinnati, will become the only woman rabbi in the United States. Miss Neumark is the first girl to take up the rabbinical course.

lance, unable to communicate by boat, while the surgeon's instructions were obeyed.

On the fourth day came this message from the Menapier's captain: "All your instructions safely carried out. The men are resting comfortably and are out of danger."

Dr. Burns, who holds decorations from the French, British, Italian and Belgian governments, in the world war was on four vessels that were torpedoed by German submarines. He is an honorary member of the V. M. K. division, having served on several of the transports that took units of New England troops overseas.

faces of which had reflected the sun's rays, and so drawn our attention.

There had been more than 20 buildings in the village, varying in size from four to as many as 30 rooms. Aside from determining that the rooms were small, and that the walls of the structures were composed of thin, unworked slabs of sandstone laid with adobe clay of mortar, we did not excavating in the buildings.

The winds of centuries had blown away the dust and ashes from the refuse-heaps in which the dead were interred until bones and mortuary vases were left protruding from the soil. Each body lay in what had been a pit dug into the refuse.

In preparation for burial, the knees were drawn up against the chest, and the feet thrown backward toward the hips, evidently to make the body take up as little space as possible.

The wealth of objects accompanying the skeletons of children was pathetic evidence that the hearts of this primitive people were deeply riven by the loss of their little ones. Covering the bones of one mere infant were an elegant red bowl, a slender drinking vessel, and a small vase filled with ornaments and shell beads and pendants from the far Pacific; the latter a treasure which may well have meant the entire wealth of a family.

The two hundred pottery vessels found in the tombs indicate that this desert settlement belonged to a culture period more ancient than that represented by the enormous community dwelling at Aztec, New Mexico, the exploration of which our efforts have been centered for the last five years.

EXPLORE HOMES OF EXTINCT RACE

BY EARL H. MORRIS,
Expedition Leader for American Museum of Natural History

The discovery of hundreds of pottery vessels, scores of ancient tombs, and numerous unexplored Pueblo ruins and cemeteries rewarded our recent expedition into the Navajo country, New Mexico. Mere chance led us to the richest find of the season.

Thirty miles south of the shiprock agency we noticed a number of low mounds scattered here and there over the breast of the desert. They glistened in the sunlight as if strewn with bits of mirror.

Upon investigation, the elevations proved to be the ruined buildings and cemeteries of a prehistoric village, nearly a mile in length. The mounds were literally covered with fragments of broken pottery, the polished sur-

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The styles are up-to-date; the goods are all fresh from the factories this season. No old undesirable stocks to get rid of; no "Bargain" stocks purchased to stimulate business, nothing but actual 1920 Fall Merchandise bought to sell at 40% to 50% higher than we are asking.

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The assortment is comprehensive, the sizes are complete. Where can you get such good reliable shoes for Men and Women at the low price of \$5.85?

They are here in large quantities, good to look upon, better still to wear; sure satisfaction in every purchase or your money cheerfully refunded.

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The Food Tonic
which gives you added power to ward off sickness, by nourishing blood and tissues. Take as directed, and protect your health.

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FRED N. ZIHLMAN

HE TAKES CAKE
What good it is, or why he wants to keep it, goodness knows! Anyhow, here's Representative Fred N. Zihlman of Maryland, with a little piece of fruit cake baked in 1872, sent him by an admiring constituent, S. T. Stull, of Cumberland. Mr. Zihlman is shown holding the linkstand in which the cake is encased. Stull's son carried this cake on the battlefields of France. President Wilson has another slice—or at least he had another slice—of the same cake, sent him when he married the present Mrs. Wilson. Billy Sunday, the evangelist, has had a third piece for years.

ENGLAND PREPARES FOR TRADE FIGHT

(N.E.A. Staff Special)
LONDON, Dec. 22.—England is out for a finish fight with the United States and the rest of the world for trade.

She is not only after foreign trade, but the domestic variety as well. She is going to advertise English service to the world as superior to those of her competitors.

To prepare herself for the struggle she staged at the White City the biggest advertising exhibition ever held. In a week 450,000 visitors—mostly business people—passed the turnstiles.

Value of Advertising
There are lessons for American sellers—these remarks from the opening speech of Sir Robert Horne, president of the board of trade:

Goods are cheapened by advertising, because when advertising increases sales it increases production, thus decreasing costs.

Through adequate advertising British manufacturers can reach every consumer in the world.

All grades of publicity experts, from cabinet ministers to circus press agents, are contributing their bit toward furthering England's campaign. Even society women have been interested.

Lady Mond has been telling women what they owe to advertising.

"In no realm of life," she says, "has the inventor worked so marvelous a revolution as in the home. But you women wouldn't know how invention can lessen your labors without advertising."

"The pages of our newspapers are filled with matter particularly designed to attract feminine eyes."

"This is the measure of women's indebtedness to publicity. Without the advertiser's artful aid the modern home would indeed be a poor, bare place of endless toil."

"England must tell the world should be our slogan."

Pop Corn

Pop It Yourself!

Ask your grocer, package store or delicatessen for DICKINSON'S Package Pop Corn.

Santa Claus—
Snow Ball or
Little Buster

"Pop It at Home!" Fresh, clean corn that will pop! Sweet, tender and nutritious. Your local dealer has it. Packed by

THE ALBERT
DICKINSON COMPANY
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Useful Gifts FOR BOYS

Boys' Overcoats

Why not let your boy find a nice warm, smartly boyish OVERCOAT among his other gifts on Christmas morning.

33 1-3% DISCOUNT ON ALL COATS, WED., THURS. and FRIDAY ONLY.

\$20 Coats. 33 1-3% Discount, \$13.34

\$25 Coats. 33 1-3% Discount, \$16.67

\$30 Coats. 33 1-3% Discount, \$20.00

\$35 Coats. 33 1-3% Discount, \$23.00

The above discount applies to coats at \$20 and above only.

Mackinaws

Warm, heavy, all wool mackinaws. The better grade only. Surprisingly smart and serviceable; just as you always expect to find them at Macartney's.

\$10.00 Mackinaws \$8.50

\$12.00 Mackinaws \$9.60

\$13.50 Mackinaws \$10.80

\$15.00 Mackinaws \$12.00

\$16.50 Mackinaws \$13.20

MANY USEFUL GIFTS FOR BOYS MAY BE FOUND IN OUR BOYS' DEPARTMENT

Boys' Marathon Belts

Washable, plain slip-easy buckle, very durable... 98c

Marathon Washable Belt, with initial slip-easy buckle, \$1.25 at

Other Belts in black, tan and gray, at 39c, 48c, 98c

Rubber Coats

Black Rubber Coat, white lined; \$6.00 value... \$4.50

Black Rubber Coat, tan lined; \$7.50 value... \$6.00

Flannel Blouses

Gray and Khaki, warm and durable, \$1.25 and \$1.48

Teddy Suits

Brown, gray, tan, pea-cock, blue; \$15 value, \$10.98

Bath Robes

Blue, tan and brown. Made of heavy blanket; values were \$2.98 and \$3.98.... \$2.48 and \$2.98

Children's Jersey Leggings

Blue, black, brown, gray, priced \$1.48

Dr. Denton's Children's Sleeping Garments

Made from specially prepared wool, with feet \$1.39

OUR CHILDREN'S BARBER SHOP WILL BE CLOSED FROM DECEMBER 27th TO JANUARY 7th. GET THE KIDDIES' HAIR CUT NOW

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"HATS ON" IN ELEVATORS

Cincinnati Building Owners Declare Removal of Hats Is Menace to Passengers

CINCINNATI, O., Dec. 22.—"Hats on" in elevators, even though there may be women passengers, is the slogan of the Cincinnati Building Owners and Managers' association, which has started a crusade to that end. Whether they will win their contention that the removal of hats in crowded elevators is a menace to passengers in the immediate vicinity of those who take off their headgear remains to be seen for many prominent Cincinnati women are opposed to the abolition of this old-fashioned courtesy.

"The habit," said Captain W. M. McIntyre, president of the association, "was introduced by southern people traveling in the north. Originally, I understand, negroes were required to remove their hats on entering elevators and in time white men followed the example when women were on the lift. On the same principle, why do not men take off their hats when traveling in a street car which also contains women passengers?"

And Captain McIntyre got the following answers from women: "I do not see any reason to discard this courtesy. Courtesy is not a gift. It is an example of what a man is. Women never will endeavor to decide this problem for the men."

Mrs. Kennon Dunham, president of the Cincinnati Women's Club, said: "Just because women have been enfranchised is not a sufficient reason to effect the innate courtesy of men which a true gentleman will show toward a woman."

Mrs. Fenton Lawson, president of Women's City club, said: "I do not see why now that women have been given equal voting right with men that any established custom should be effected."

ton, representative of first district of Ohio, League of Women Voters.

"I do not believe that men are going to lose their civility and experience during the recent campaign convinced me that the men are not going to lose it. The question depends upon

the woman to a great extent. If she is the sort of woman men respect she will hold this respect no matter what field of business or political activity she may enter."—Mrs. Florence Goff Schwarz, member of Hamilton county republican executive committee.



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First General Snow Storm in West

ST. PAUL, Minn., Dec. 22.—Sharp drops in temperature have followed close upon the first general snow storm of the season in the north-west. From two to 10 inches of snow had fallen in Minnesota, North and South Dakota today. Trains coming into the Twin Cities from the Pacific coast were from two to eight hours late.

Alfred Ringling Left \$1,056,543

BABABOO, Wis., Dec. 22.—The will of Alfred T. Ringling, filed for probate here today, shows the estate to be valued at \$1,056,543. The bulk of the estate goes to the widow and a son, Richard T. Ringling, who also is bequeathed a one-fourth interest in the copartnership of the Ringling Brothers Shows.

Taft to Confer With Harding

MARION, O., Dec. 22.—The engagement book of President-elect Harding was blank today, and it was said at his headquarters here that no callers were expected. William Howard Taft is expected to confer with Mr. Harding before Christmas, but the day of his arrival has not been announced.

AMUSEMENT NOTES

By Theatres' Own Press Agents.
MERRIMACK SQUARE THEATRE
Final performance of "The Taming of the Shrew" by the big William S. Hart feature now playing at the Merrimack Square theatre, will be given this evening. The play, which has been running for a long time, is one of his most stirring roles. Tomorrow the usual mid-weekly change of program will take place.

CUNARD ANCHOR

ANCHOR-DONALDSON
New York to Cherbourg, Southampton, Jan. 27.
IMPERATOR, Dec. 23, Jan. 20.
AQUITANIA, Jan. 26, Feb. 22, Mar. 22.
New York to Liverpool
CARMANIA, Dec. 23, Jan. 27, Feb. 19.
YAUHAN, Jan. 1, Feb. 15, Feb. 27.
K. A. Victoria, Jan. 15, Feb. 19, March 5, April 2.
New York to London and Glasgow
COLUMBIA, Jan. 15, Feb. 19, Mar. 26.
CAMERON (New), Mar. 2, April 6.
New York to Plymouth, Cherbourg, Hamburg, Jan. 18, Mar. 1, April 12.
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Electric Trains
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Sleds
Skis
Kiddie Cars
Velocipedes
Snow Shovels
Shoo Flys
Rocking Horses
Automobiles
Wagons
See-Saws
Tool Chests

**Gifts for Girls**

Gifts that will bring little squeals of delight are here in numbers, simply waiting to be selected and carried home to repose in the gift closet until the day of days.

Doll Couch Hammocks
Doll Furniture Sets
Wardrobe Trunks
Doll Beds
Tea Sets
Coffee Sets
Washing Sets
Pianos
Piano Stools
Trunks
Dolls of All Kinds
Rocking Chairs
Sleds
Sewing Sets

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Oakland Sewing Machines.....\$37.50 to \$47.50
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Ohio Vacuum Cleaners.....\$50.00

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KEEPING ONE'S HEAD

Confidence—in each other, in our institutions, in the essential soundness of business conditions—is necessary just now if the craft of the common weal is to be safely steered through the sea of readjustment problems.

It is at such a time as the present, when we are reaping some of the fruits of the tremendous upheaval of conditions that always come with war, that men and women need to keep their heads and their emotions well under control.

Almost every day now can bring forth a new set of senseless rumors regarding this or that thing that is bound to happen, or about to happen, in the industrial world. Lowell is not differentiated from other communities in this respect. Where most of the absurd stories, that find their way in to almost every home and place of business, originate is an unsolvable mystery. Now, within the space of a few hours, they acquire such widespread circulation, is equally puzzling.

That there is not even the slightest foundation for these rumors regarding the instability of business conditions and the prospect of the failure of this or that concern does not hinder the possibilities of infinite harm being done by those who listen to and pass along the unfounded tales.

"Man," says Professor James, "as a part of society believes what is suggested to him." Psychologists, of late years, have come to understand quite clearly the tremendous power that lies ready for unleashing in constant and oft-repeated suggestion. Something of the psychology of mob action is also understood.

It is one of the almost inevitable results of the constant suggestion contained in rumors of business and industrial disaster that the seeds of real trouble are sown. The rumors may not be of serious importance in themselves. They prepare the way, however, for such a state of the public mind that a very small push may land us where we do not want to be, and there is no need of our landing if we will exercise a little common-sense.

Too strong reprobation cannot be given to the man or woman who repeats as a choice morsel of news, "Have you heard that this or that concern is about to fail?" or "Did you know that business was so dull that all of the retail stores of Lowell are to close three days a week?" It would be well if something, pretty strong in the way of punishment could be meted out to the circulators of such yarns that tend, without cause, to destroy public confidence.

It is stating the truth in plain unequivocal terms to say that, in the opinion of persons who are in a position to know what they are talking about and whose word cannot be doubted, that the leading financial, industrial and business houses have probably never been on a more solid foundation. This is particularly true insofar as Lowell is concerned. Present conditions have not developed in a night. They have been foreseen and prepared for by wise business and industrial leaders many months in advance.

The best thing that we can do is to laugh at the fool-rumor monger and refuse absolutely to be influenced by him or included in his class.

WHAT EUROPE EXPECTS OF US

Still the European nations are clinging to the hope that the United States will ultimately join the League of Nations and cancel her loans of \$10,000,000,000 to Europe and have the European nations do the same so that all might thus get rid of the greater part of their indebtedness by having each blot out her claims against sister nations.

France would come out ahead in any such deal by about five billions of dollars as her borrowings exceeded her loans by that amount. Italy would gain nearly as much, while England would come out even.

This would shift the burden of the war from European to American shoulders; but it has found no favor in the United States, although, according to M. Tardieu, the French high commissioner in the United States during the war, it originated with no less a personage than President Wilson. Possibly it was one of the philanthropic schemes evolved at the peace conference.

Another proposition was the pooling of all the costs of the war and their apportionment among the nations according to the national resources. This also was a scheme intended to unload the bulk of the war burdens upon the United States. But the failure of the United States to ratify the treaty and to join the League of Nations has prevented either scheme from being put up to the United States for acceptance except indirectly.

Another method by which Europe hoped to have the United States come to its aid was by the pooling of the economic resources of the members of the league so that the nations having little or no raw material might be privileged to draw upon those having an abundant supply. Former Premier Tittoni of Italy actually made this proposition at Geneva, but it was met by a strong declaration by a representative of Canada to the effect that such a step would prevent the United States from entering the league and would cause Canada to withdraw.

It is strange that apparently the delegates to the Paris peace congress had the idea that one or other of these propositions would be readily accepted by the United States in order to help rehabilitate Europe. It was also understood, it seems, that German bonds could be used by the allies in the purchase of supplies in the United

States. Thus it may be imagined what a disappointment it was to the League of Nations to find that the United States, from which Europe expected so much, kept aloof. Possibly they will have time to realize that the United States is not going to cancel its loans, nor to pool the war debts or the national resources nor accept German bonds instead of gold for whatever we have to sell to Europe. At present our taxes are very high, unemployment is common and apparently the people of the United States have come to realize that the imperial and supreme brand of autocracy which they entered the war to destroy is now being practised by the allies to an extent fully as menacing to world peace and the freedom of small nations as was the attitude of Germany when her motto was "Deutschland Uber Alles."

PLUNKETT'S STATEMENT

Sir Horace Plunkett, who has arrived in this country, makes the statement that the British people do not know what is going on in Ireland for the reason that the London press with the exception of the Manchester Guardian, does not dare to publish the facts. He states that the people of the United States and France are much better informed as to the warfare in Ireland than are the English. That is something new for the British press with its boasted freedom. It appears that the war restrictions upon the freedom of the press, are still in force in England. The New York World correspondent made the statement that when the city of Cork was burned and Mgr. Magner and a civilian shot down without the semblance of cause, the London papers had a mere mention of the conflagration without indicating its real nature or giving any details. That occurrence together with the murders reflected upon the government and at the present time the publication of such news is condemned as unpatriotic by the Lloyd George regime.

The government is evidently afraid to let the facts be known to the British public lest public sentiment would be aroused to such an extent as to sweep the ministry from power. Sir Horace has been in favor of dominion home rule as a means of settling the Irish question, but he states that the present bill which pleases but one-fifth of the people will never be accepted and that it is useless to attempt to put it in force, all of which is patent to everybody who is conversant with the situation.

BUSINESS OUTLOOK IMPROVING

There is no just ground for assuming that business will remain dull for any great length of time after Christmas. Already two local mills that had been idle for weeks have started on full time and one of the great steel companies with headquarters in Illinois is going back to the ten and twelve hour day. The action of the textile workers in accepting the cut-down under protest pending future developments will help to get the machinery moving once more. Any warfare between the mills and the operatives at the present time would only serve to delay the stabilization of values and conditions necessary to a resumption of active work with full force by all the mills. Indications from trade centers all over the country are quite encouraging as pointing to rapid business revival after the new year.

It may be true that "Truth is forever on the scaffold; wrong forever on the throne," but when President Goodell, of the chamber of commerce, wields the sledge hammer of facts to demolish the senseless rumors of old rivals, for awhile at least, exchange places.

A professor of hygiene has found that 19.5 per cent of a bunch of Harvard men that he recently examined knew how to properly use their feet. This confirms a current opinion based on recent happenings on the football gridiron.

It seems to have been a plea of good fortune for the Pilgrim Fathers that they lived three hundred years ago and thus escaped reading some of the things our editorial neighbor across the way has had to say about them.

It is an editorial paragraph of more than Spartan firmness who now resists the temptation to ring in something about the possibilities of a "green Christmas" and "full churchyard."

Old Plymouth rock has been split in moving it to a new resting place, but the nation of which it is one of the foundation stones continues as firm and unbroken as the age-defying granite of which the pyramids are built.

The park department in starting to cut out the dead wood of the trees, is setting an example that might profitably be followed in the offices of other departments of the city government.

Worcester, sending some of its representatives here to learn about the methods of the health department, might in return slip us a leaf from its experience that would tell us how to get a new railroad station.

It is wasn't that it would make nearly all the rest of us so uncomfortable, it might not be so bad to let the let-us-be-miserables put over for a little while their blue Sunday laws.

It is one of the incongruities of life that, after you have spent your last blessed dollar for presents, someone comes along and gives you a pocket-book for Christmas.

Senator Harding seems to be having as much trouble picking out a cabinet as he did in sticking to the same opinion two days in succession during the campaign.

Even the fire bells seem to have got tangled up in these days of the supremacy of "Old Tanglefoot" in Lowell.

Crime waves are sweeping highest where booze has been flowing freest.

SEEN AND HEARD

Kipling is to write movie scenarios, but probably he'll have no rag, bone and hank of hair heroines.

Jardling has been elected a life member of the typographical union and is eligible to help set the Congressional Record when there's a dull day at the White House.

At Power's Corner

Woe Laddie: "Oh, ma, see the big policeman: isn't he funny?"
Mother: "Funny? How, Johnny?"
Woe Laddie: "Why, ma, he's got his suspenders on outside his overcoat."

To Strike a Spark

Knapp—Your friend Banks dined with me last night. What a dull dog he is.
Knux—Oh, that depends on what company he's in—Yonkers Statesman.

Dangerous Height

Baby's mother—What do you think of the new nursemaid, George? Baby's father—She looks capable, my dear; but she is so terribly tall. Think what a distance poor baby will have to fall when she drops him!—Answers.

A Queer Title

One rainy afternoon Aunt Lillian was explaining the meaning of various words to her young nephew. "Now, an heirloom, my dear, means something that has been handed down from father to son," she said. "Well," replied the boy, thoughtfully, "that's a queer name for my pants."—Harpers.

Needless Worry

The census bureau is fretting about the cook statistics. There are, according to the 1920 census, but 333,436 female cooks in the United States. Something like one cook for every 300 persons. The bureau is worrying about the matter. Indeed, so impressed was one census taker that he quavered: "We may live without poetry, music and art; we may live without conscience and live without heart; we may live without friends; we may live without books; but civilized man cannot live without cooks." Of course he cannot live without cooks! Why should he? But there is no need for such a lot of fretting. What if the employment offices have a dearth of cooks? One may always get a good cook by the matrimonial route. The census bureau is all wrong. Instead of there being 333,436 female cooks in this country, there are several million, usually one in every home.

What Have We Done Today?

We shall do so much in the years to come.
But what have we done today?
We shall give our gold in a princely sum.
But what did we give today?
We shall lift the heart and dry the tear.
We shall plant a hope in the place of fear.
We shall speak the words of love and cheer.
But what did we speak today?

We shall be so kind in the after while.
But what have we done today?
We shall bring each lonely life a smile.
But what have we brought today?

We shall give to truth a grander birth
And to steadfast faith a deeper worth
We shall feed the hungering souls of earth.
But whom have we fed today?

We shall reap such joy in the by and by
But what have we sown today?
We shall build us mansions in the sky.
But what have we built today?

'Tis sweet in idle dreams to bask.
But here and now do we do the task?
Yes, this is the thing our souls must ask.
"What have we done today?"

Tarmouth, N. S., Times.

MAN ABOUT TOWN

It has been with a little more than the usual sadness of farewell that some of us in weeks that have lately passed have said goodbye to friends who have departed for the places of sunshine and blue skies in the south. We have been inclined to feel a bit of sorrow for ourselves that we could not go with them. We have felt like asking, "Why did our ancestors settle on this bleak New England coast when they might have followed the pathway cut out across the sea by Ponce de Leon in his search for the fountain of youth in Florida?" If we perpetual youth in Florida, however, we shall find probably that if both sides are not gold, the hidden side is silver. While we are kicking because we have to shovel coal into our furnaces and dread to get out of bed in the morning because it is so cold, we may reflect that there are compensations connected with living in frigid old New England. If we choose to recognize it, Switzerland used to be the playground of Europe in the summer time. Now it is the recreation field for the people of many countries all the year around. Its snow-filled mountain valleys and bleak hillsides have been made the scenes of many sorts of winter pleasures. Here at home we are beginning to realize and make use of the possibilities for enjoyment of having a three days' winter vacation. There will be fun galore, including a deer drive ending with a game dinner in the Corbin game park.

Bonded Scotch whisky at \$2 per quart, good, old-fashioned ale at 30 cents per bottle and all you want of each, providing you have the price! No, this isn't the dream of an anti-prohibitionist, but an actual fact. The only difficulty is that you will have to go to Bermuda to realize it. I was talking the other day to a Lowell man who has just returned from a brief vacation spent in that delightful section, and it is he who tells the story. He says that there is no water system in Bermuda and that the inhabitants depend on ordinary rain water. But what's a little thing like a water system with other liquids flowing so freely? Stowed away in a big more expensive down there than here in Lowell. It is now selling at 15 cents a pound, which I understand is double the price being paid here. But evidently it has had little effect on the price of drinks or else they were abnormally low before the price of sugar increased. Truly, to many this may be an example of the adage, that distant hills seem fairer than home pastures.

SLOWING UP IN WINTER

Lack of outdoor exercise and heavy meals in winter disturb digestion. The bowels should not be clogged with undigested, poisonous waste matter. Foley Cathartic Tablets cleanse the bowels without griping or nausea, banish biliousness and headaches, bloating, gas, bad breath, and sweeten the stomach. Amos H. Fennel, 194 Palmer St., Mobile, Ala., writes: "I recommend Foley Cathartic Tablets. I feel like a new man today. My trouble was constipation." Burkinshaw Drug Co., 415 Middlesex St., Moody's Drug Store, 501 Central St.—Adv.

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HOLY NAME CLUB

CHRISTMAS TREE

A largely attended meeting of the Holy Name Social club of the Sacred Heart parish was held at its rooms on Sunday, Douglas Smith, president. Reports from various committees relative to the program of the club's activities for the coming months, were read. The members of the bowling team were congratulated upon the excellent account they are giving of themselves in the various contests as members of the Catholic bowling league. Weekly rehearsals are being held for the annual minstrel show which promises to be the greatest success ever. Many new soloists will be introduced on this occasion, and the end-men promise to give "something new and entirely different" in the repertoire line. The affair is scheduled to take place before Lent, and the young people of the parish are using their very best efforts to promote its success.

An interesting entertainment has been arranged for Christmas afternoon, to which all the men of the parish—young and old—are cordially invited. As is customary at the club a large Christmas tree is decorated with gifts for everybody will be one of the big features of the occasion. It will be the duty of the club's Santa Claus to see to it that everybody present is remembered, and many pleasant surprises will doubtless lend enjoyment to the spirit of the occasion. A very important meeting will be held at the rooms on next Sunday morning, when the officers who are to preside over the destinies of the club for the ensuing year will be chosen. As many spirited contests are to be decided, a full attendance of the membership is expected.

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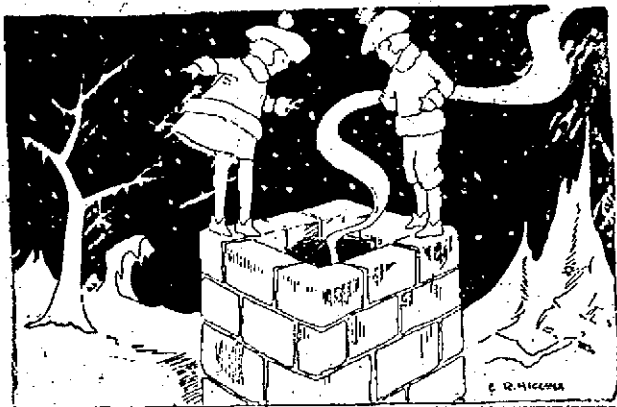
ADVENTURES OF THE TWINS

by Olive Roberts Barton

OFF TO SANTA'S HOUSE!

Away, went Nick and Nancy over fields and forests, lakes, rivers and seas, to the Great North, whizzing through the air in their wonderful Magical Shoes, like skyrockets traveling toward the horizon. The air became sharp and cold as they flew on.

They had scrambled to the top of the high ice-steps, before they could find an enormous sign over the door which said in bold letters "Poor broken! Please use the chimney!" "Goodness!" gasped Nancy. "What a



ALMOST BEFORE SHE HAD FINISHED SPEAKING, THEY WERE THERE, BALANCING ON THE VERY EDGE OF A GREAT BLACK HOLE.

ward, and after awhile the earth below began to look white instead of green, brown or crystal as it had before, depending upon the places over which they were passing.

At last they came to Santa's house, a glittering palace of ice blocks, roofed with snow. It really looked like an enormous mountain, and why one fairy should have a house so large as to himself the twins could not imagine. It was even larger than the palace to the Fairy Queen.

"Please stop!" they called to their Green Shoes, and gently and quietly the little shoes deposited their wearers at Santa's front door, just as your own Shetland pony does (if you have one) when you call out, "Whoa!" as

THE BOOTT MILL BOWLING LEAGUE

In the Boott Mill Bowling league contests on Kildredge's alleys last night the Cloth room took three from the Weavers; the Mechanics three from the Sillmakers; the Waste department three from the office; and the Electricians four from the Carders.

The summary:

Carding—Hoyds, 262; H. Hall, 232; Wood, 233; Creagan, 210; Cox, 248; totals, 1272.

Electrical—Griffiths, 233; Duffy, 264; Davidson, 253; H. Hall, 279; Boyle, 267; totals, 1345.

Cloth Room—Desmond, 238; Hopkinson, 247; Allen, 237; O'Soro, 255; Collins, 262; totals, 1279.

Weaving—J. Desrosiers, 226; Nyberg, 271; Crockett, 243; Carly, 288; Sub, 231; totals, 1264.

Sillmaking—W. Dickinson, 235; Nelson, 262; A. Desrosiers, 259; Nelson, 273; Sub, 224; totals, 1260.

Mechanics—McKeon, 267; Sullivan, 241; Kydd, 232; Frappier, 268; Marsh, 277; totals, 1335.

Waste Dept.—Dennett, 240; Silva, 274; Wojcik, 292; McKenzie, 256; Ingham, 253; totals, 1245.

Office—Rocha, 279; Ollagen, 251; Holgate, 253; Portier, 257; Williams, 260; totals, 1285.

GAS LIGHT BOWLING LEAGUE RESULTS

The summary of results in the Gas Light bowling league last night is as follows:

Power Dept.—Riley, 282; Monahan, 233; Heathman, 219; Bucterly, 266; Jim, 218; totals, 1298.

Repair Dept.—Connors, 265; G. Boland, 274; Bradbury, 278; Mulno, 260; Houcke, 272; totals, 1335.

Motor House—Holand, 252; Pozzer, 269; Molloy, 285; Moriarty, 261; Monahan, 261; totals, 1295.

Card Dept.—Flannigan, 270; Buckley, 259; McCarthy, 250; Ryan, 248; Gannon, 255; totals, 1282.

Jobbers—Kelley, 294; Brennan, 297; Griffin, 281; Farley, 253; Lebourdais, 256; totals, 1411.

Cynagar Dept.—Martin, 259; Crimmins, 219; Flynn, 272; Pearson, 263; Smith, 255; totals, 1301.

Coke & Sill—Ready, 253; McQueen, 245; Chaplin, 256; Devine, 249; Simpson, 267; totals, 1295.

Water Dept.—Wilmot, 253; McQuillan, 262; Connelly, 214; Peters, 231; Donohue, 275; totals, 1298.

"ROPER" O'BRIEN TO ASSIST
CHICAGO, Dec. 22.—James O. ("Roper") O'Brien, former assistant state's attorney, will assist in the prosecution of White Sox players and gamblers who are charged with conspiring to "throw" the 1919 World's Series. It was announced today by President Johnson of the American League. Johnson expects early hearings in the cases.

"We must go to the bottom of this affair," Johnson said, "and no guilty person must be allowed to escape. Mr. O'Brien has a notable record for convictions and that is why we have decided to employ him."

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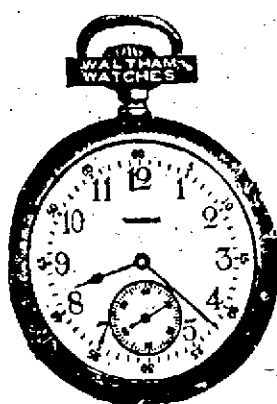
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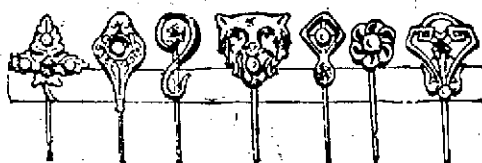
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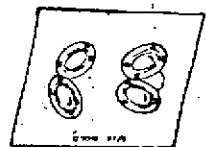
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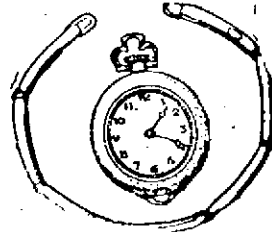
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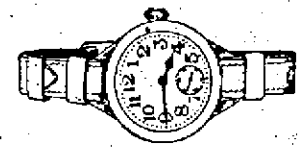
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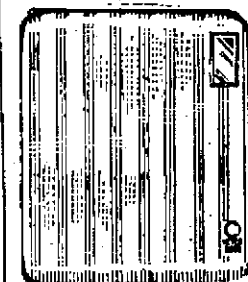
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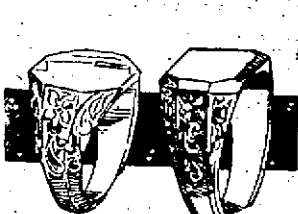
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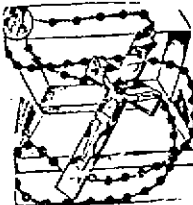
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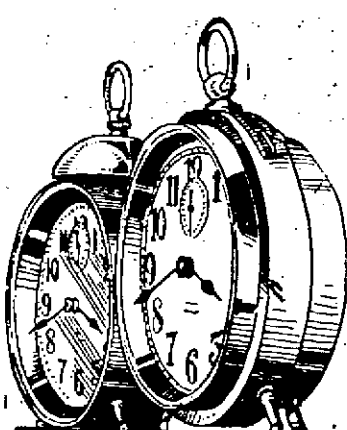
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HOTEL CLERK TESTIFIES

A person often does more good than he realizes when he tells a suffering friend how to get well. J. N. Tobill, clerk Lottie Hotel, Evansville, Ind., writes: "For weeks I suffered constantly with pains in the muscles of my thigh. I was treated by the doctor for rheumatism, but found no relief. Upon recommendation of a friend, I tried Foley Kidney Pills and began to get relief almost immediately. Good for backache, rheumatic pains, stiff joints, sore muscles. Burkhshaw Drug Co., 418 Middlesex St., Moody's Drug Store, 501 Central St.—Adv.

BATTERY B INSPECTION

Major Robert Eckfeldt, at the inspection of Battery B, in the state armory in Westford street last night, announced that Lowell would be the headquarters for the 102d Field Artillery Regiment and that a sergeant would be appointed from the local battery to be sergeant major of the regiment. The inspection was made by Col. Frank S. Perkins, commander of the regiment, decorated with the Croix de Guerre and the Belgian Cross for gallantry in action with the A.E.F., and Major Eckfeldt.

BILLERICA NEWS

Selections Five Petitioners For License to Conduct Slaughter House Leave to Withdraw

At a recent meeting of the board of selectmen for the town of Billerica, Clarence G. Frost and Philbrick Brothers were given a leave to withdraw their petitions for licenses to conduct and maintain slaughter houses within the boundaries of the town. There was considerable opposition to the granting of the petitions from residents in the vicinity, where the proposed slaughterhouse establishments were to be located.

In the course of the meeting the selectmen approved the payment of the school department, which called for an increase in wages of \$12.50 a month

CHERRISFORD FARM BUREAU

A largely attended meeting of the Cherrisford farm bureau was held last evening in F.O.C.P. hall, Centre village, with Director Karl M. Perham in the chair. In the early part of the evening an oyster supper was served and after those present listened attentively to an address delivered by John Hardy of Littleton, president of the Nashua Fruit Producers' Association, who explained what his organization has been doing and the success that has marked its efforts. The meeting was very successful.



PRINCE BECOMES BUCK, PRIVATE

Prince Leopold, eldest son of King Albert of Belgium and heir to the Belgian throne, is now a buck private in a military school in Brussels. His royal papa decided a little strict discipline would better fit the boy to rule some day than the luxurious life in the royal palace. He is seen here, looking very serious, at inspection.

RADIO CLUB ACTIVITIES

Relays Messages and Catches

Those That Nightly Fill the Air

The Lowell Radio club, which has just completed the fourth year of its activities, is one of the strongest and best known of the several hundred radio organizations in the United States. This city now has nearly 43 home wireless stations in addition to the equipment owned by the club itself and operated in the club rooms. In fact, the club apparatus has proved one of the main attractions to the members as well as to many visitors. The members now spend their spare time reading the heavy traffic of the air and nearly every evening the listeners are treated to a concert of music played on shipboard far out at sea. Several local radio stations are also linking an active part in the relay work of the national organizations of the wireless. With this organization messages are relayed from one state to another to their destination. Lowell relays messages from Boston northward and to Canada and also messages coming from New York city and Albany through Worcester for Portland and other points in Maine. The practical value of this organization of this kind can easily be visualized if one will consider an emergency in which a great storm might destroy land wires and cut off Lowell from all communication with the outside world. As a matter of fact, Lowell was so isolated by a fierce storm some twenty years ago. The amateurs of Lowell

have equipment capable of handling all messages that would be necessary in an emergency of that kind, thereby providing a form of insurance to the public which costs nothing and is always ready at call. This is one of the many reasons why the radio amateur should be encouraged and allowed to continue his experiments without working under unreasonable restrictions.

CRISIS IN VIENNA

Aid From Germany, Switzerland and U. S. Bring Relief

VIENNA, Dec. 22.—But for the arrival of 900 tons of flour, lent by Germany and Switzerland, Vienna would have been breadless this week. As it was the government was forced to requisition 140 tons of breadstuffs accumulated by the war kitchens during the summer, in order to tide over the crisis.

A considerable consignment of grain secured in Jugoslavia and Rumania is tied up at various points down the Danube because of very low water throughout the autumn and early ice. Efforts are being made to tranship by rail but the car and locomotive shortage of all the countries involved, as well as the lack of steam coal delays its arrival. American charity the city authorities concede that Vienna's plight, had as it is, would have been infinitely worse this winter. The burgomaster, Dr. Reumann, in appreciation of the extensive American relief being afforded by various organizations has asked the Associated Press to convey to the American people the following Christmas message: "The distress in which the Vienna population is living in consequence of the dreadful war, has highly impressed the American people. In Vienna children are starving and perishing from malnutrition, the sick cannot be attended in the hospitals for want of medicines, surgical instruments, dressing-stuffs and other necessities of all kinds; and the mortality is rapidly increasing among the weak and old. All these facts have called up a noble-minded readiness for help very touching to the population of Vienna.

"The American people have created a number of relief committees for the purpose of collecting gifts to be distributed among the indigent of Vienna and the famine-stricken children. The American government has taken great interest in this relief work and the American Red Cross has brought love-parcels of a high value in Vienna and softened the great misery to a considerable extent.

"We cannot enough admire this splendid assistance that was shown us in such a humane manner; our language has no words fit for interpreting our feelings of heartfelt thankfulness and gratitude.

"As burgomaster of the city of Vienna, I beg to express herewith my profound and sincere thanks to the generous people of the American state for all the marks of sympathy shown the Vienna population and for all relief and assistance-works bestowed upon it.

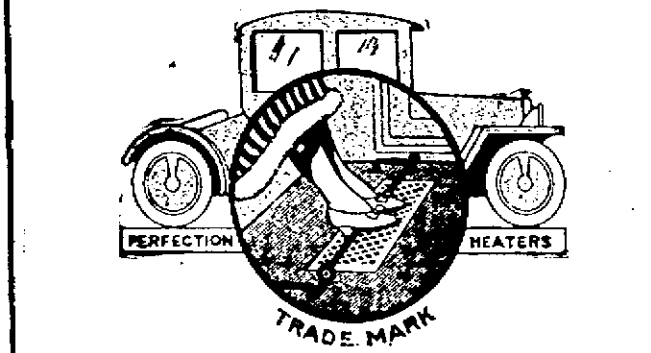
"I have the honor to send to it the best wishes of the Vienna town council for a merry Christmas, assuring you that the population of Vienna will never forget the humanity and philanthropy of America that has relieved and helped us in this time of need."



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- Men's Munsing Wear Silk and Wool Union Suits—Putnam & Son Co. price \$8.50. Sale price \$4.95
- Men's Haines Winter Ribbed Union Suits—Putnam & Son Co. price \$4.00. Sale price \$1.45
- Combed Yarn Heavy Ribbed Suits—Putnam & Son Co. price \$3.00. Sale price \$1.95
- Men's Extra Heavy Wool Sweaters—Coat style and V necks. Putnam & Son Co. price \$6. Sale price \$3.95
- Heavy Shaker Knit Wool Sweaters—Coat style and V necks. Putnam & Son Co. price \$10.50. Sale price \$6.95
- All Wool Hand Loom Extra Heavy Shaker Sweaters—Putnam & Son Co. price \$15.00. Sale price \$8.95

SHIRTS Custom Fitting Negligee Shirts—Putnam & Son Co. price \$2.50. Sale price \$1.05

- High Grade Bates Steel and Hathaway Makes Negligee Shirts—Putnam & Son Co. price \$4.00. Sale price \$2.65
- Arrow Brand Negligee Shirts—Putnam & Son Co. price \$3. Sale price \$1.65
- Men's All Double Stitched Black and Blue Work Shirts—Putnam & Son Co. prices \$1.50 and \$2.00. Sale price 95¢
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VICTORY FOR LOWELL

Worcester Defeated in Exciting Game by Score of 6 to 3—Newton in Linup

After losing to New Bedford by a score of 5 to 4 here on Monday night in one of the greatest polo games of the season, Lowell continued its good work against Worcester at the Crescent rink last night but reversed the result, winning out after an exciting and interesting contest by the score of 6 to 3.

Where the "breaks" were against Lowell on Monday night they favored the visitors last night, when Worcester had several "ins and outs." But it was not all luck that brought victory to Lowell. The result was due much more to hard and fast playing and the locals were there with all requirements.

It was a victory that brought great satisfaction to players and fans. The visitors who were led by a blanchette "the Lowell seconds" came here after a winning streak of four games brought about by the recent acquisition of Hart and Doherty, formerly of Lowell. They were primed for "another one" and entered the rink confident of accomplishing their purpose.

On the other hand the locals, who have been having hard sledding for the past few weeks, were determined to chase the "jacks." They broke into a win column last Friday night and almost won Monday night. All hands were out to play and the result was a victory for Lowell.

Glen Newton, of Muncie, Ind., played his first game in the Crescent rink last night and was well under the Worcester attack and made many thrilling stops. Newton played in two years, was at second rush for Lowell. His presence and the orders of Capt. Hardy to win at all costs, forced the players to the limit. Hardy set a good example for his men by playing a star game in both the defensive and offensive departments.

Donnelly at halfback seldom showed to better advantage. The pair had Hart and Higgins well in hand, and this stunt requires much polo artistry. Davies at first rush was a revelation. He played wonderful polo, also stood up well under the Worcester attack and made many thrilling stops. Newton showed the effects of his long ride and inactivity, but also demonstrated wares that indicate he will be a help to the team when he rounds into form.

For Worcester Higgins and Doherty featured. Hart showed flashes of great polo, but his work was nullified by exceptional blocking by the local defensive men. Griffith played his usual game.

Roller Skating TONIGHT CRESCENT RINK

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Billy DeFoe vs. Johnny Drumme
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At strong game, while Purcell did well in front of the cage.
Both teams worked at top speed all the way, but in the final analysis the locals played superior polo.
Thells looked dark and dreary for Lowell at the outset. In the first period Higgins after some brilliant floor work landed a brace in the nets, while Purcell, who stopped it, Newton took the ball up the floor and made a pretty pass to Davies. The latter made a quick turn and slammed the ball into the cage for an ice-breaker. The hall rocked with applause. Eight seconds later Newton drove the ball with great force at Purcell, who stopped it. Newton followed his drive and as the ball rebounded he sent it back this time for a goal. Davies then put Lowell in front a goal. Higgins tied it up in two minutes. A brace of goals by Davies followed after which the period ended. Score, Lowell 5, Worcester 3.

In the final session Lowell played a strong, defensive game and they had to keep it close for the visitors went at it at a terrific pace. The die was cast, however, and as the period wound Davies poked one in for Lowell and Worcester was held scoreless. The lineup and summary:

WORCESTER	
Davies Jr.	1r Higgins
Newton Jr.	2r Hart
Hardy	3r Griffith
Donnelly	4r Doherty
Lovegreen	5r Purcell
FIRST PERIOD	
Won by	Lowell
Score	5 to 3
SECOND PERIOD	
Lowell	3 to 1
Newton	1 to 1
Worcester	2 to 1
Lowell	1 to 1
Worcester	1 to 1
THIRD PERIOD	
Lowell	13 to 8
Summary Score, Lowell 6, Worcester 3.	
Referee, Lovegreen 44, Purcell 51, Foulis, Hardy 2, Hart, Referee, Kikara.	

POLO LEAGUE STANDING
New Bedford 41 18 69.5
Fall River 38 25 56.9
Providence 38 25 56.9
Hartford 28 30 48.3
Lowell 26 32 44.8
Bridgeport 21 38 42.1
Worcester 20 34 35.7

POLO NOTES
There will be no more home games until next Tuesday night, when Hartford will play here.

Glen Newton, of Muncie, Ind., who played his first game with Lowell last night, is a big rangy fellow, who hits a hard ball. He scored one goal last night, and his efforts contributed to the Lowell victory.

The "Jigger" was in great form and his brilliant dashes and juggling activities brought many rounds of applause.

Hardy and Donnelly were there strong in the defensive department. They had Hart and Higgins pretty well in hand all night. Davies starred on the offensive.

The defeat of Worcester last night was the first one sustained by the club since "Bob" Hart joined the team.

When the Worcester players entered the rink a blanchette fan greeted them as "the Lowell seconds."

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GREB WINS DECISION

OVER CAPT. ROPER

BOSTON, Dec. 22.—Harry Greb of Pittsburgh easily won the decision over Capt. Bob Roper of Chicago in their 10-round bout at the show of the Panell A.C. at Mechanics building last night.

One of the largest crowds that ever witnessed a bout indoors in this city was present. Nearly 8000 saw the battle and several thousand more had to be turned away.

Grebe was too fast for the captain and at times the latter saw more gloves flying at him than he ever did before in his career in the ring.

Grebe throws his punches from all angles and while there is not great force behind them still they have a sting. He kept dashing in and out all through the contest and it was remarkable how he could keep up such speed on a padded floor.

In every round Greb hit the captain with lefts and rights in the head and body and the captain was so puzzled with Greb's style that he would not do much countering.

At close quarters Greb was just as busy. He would either shoot right up to the captain's chin or beat a tattoo with both hands on his stomach or head.

Although Greb had little defense, the captain did not land over half a dozen blows at Greb. Once he countered Greb with the right under the heart that made the Pittsburgher wince. In another round he shot a right to Greb's jaw that shook him up for a few seconds.

Those were the hardest punches that the captain landed. He jabbed Greb a few times in the face, but the blows did not bother. The Pittsburgher, every time that Greb was hit, he would dance in and send rights and lefts to the captain's face and stomach, and so fast that the Chicago boxer was unable to make any returns.

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DENOUNCE PRES. WOOD

Lawrence Workers Repudiate

Call for Conference— Would Oust "Mill Barons"

LAWRENCE, Dec. 22.—The Lawrence central council of the Amalgamated Textile Workers at a meeting last night drafted a letter to President William W. Wood of the American Woolen company, attacking the company's policies. The letter repudiates a request made of Mr. Wood in a letter written on Dec. 15 by A. J. Minto, general secretary of the Amalgamated, that he confer with Amalgamated officials before announcing a wage reduction in the company's mills. Asserting that his request does not represent the attitude of the Lawrence council, the letter said: "The workers of Lawrence are no

intimidated by your pretense of waiting for others to cut wages first. We recognize you as the directing mind of the mill barons and hold you responsible for their acts." The letter says that by running its mills on short time the American Woolen company has cut wages from 25 to 35 per cent, accuses Mr. Wood of inefficiency and adds: "Any more inefficiency will make it necessary for the workers to relieve you and your class of the control of industry." After the meeting Ben Legere, secretary of the local council, said that the organization would be represented at a conference of all labor in Essex county to be held at Salem on Dec. 31, January 1 and 2, to which all organized labor had been invited. He said this conference has been called by the Salem chamber of labor to find a way by which all labor could "act together to establish industrial democracy and do away with economic autocracy."

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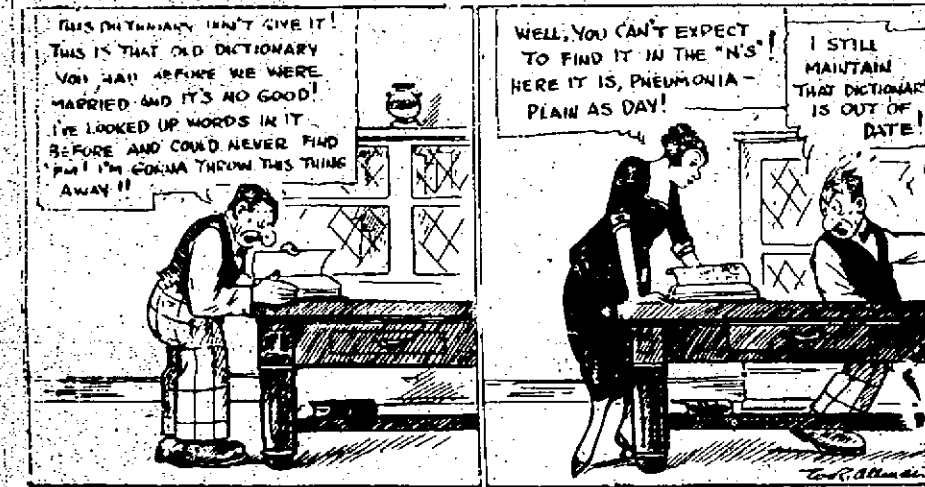
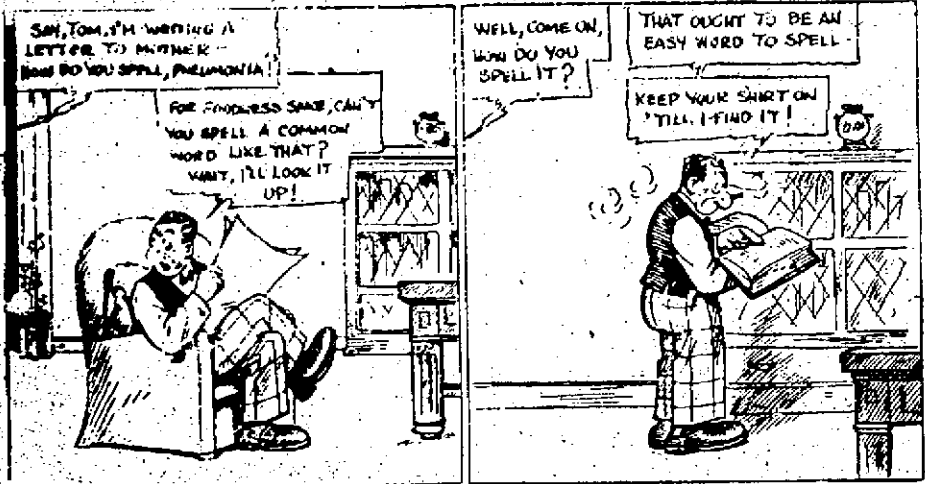


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LIQUOR RAID

Police Make Big Haul in Elm Street

John Lima Costa, arrested last night in a raid on a tenement on the third floor of a building in Elm street, pleaded guilty to illegal keeping of intoxicating liquor before Judge Fairbank this morning and was fined \$100. About 50 gallons of moonshine, six barrels of whisky and a number of pieces of apparatus, including two gas stoves, were seized in the raid. The raid was the result of a federal officer John H. O'Dea, and the local liquor and vice squad officers, Michael White, Patrick Clark, Alfred Conroy and Frank Moore, visiting 15 places in the city last night, under suspicion for violation of the liquor laws. It was the beginning of a crusade, which the officers claim, will be continued and waged against other suspects. Federal Officer O'Dea is now empowered with a federal search warrant and alleges that he has many places in the city under suspicion.

The historical cries of two women in the Costa house in Elm street attracted a large crowd last night. Large numbers gathered on the police car and the large stock of manufacturing apparatus from the house and loaded it upon the truck to be hauled to the police station.

Costa had no chance to escape. Three officers guarded the exits of the building while Officer O'Dea and another entered. Costa and another man were caught sitting upon the floor watching two 20-gallon stills in operation which were pouring out liquor like open faucets. Liquor was stored in the room in several large jugs and a big barrel. Steam pouring out of the room made the place look like a mill or a distillery, say the police. Costa, for Costa, in discussing the case, asked that it be light because it was defendant's first offense and he had a family.

The liquor officers seized about 20 gallons of alleged moonshine and about 25 gallons of whisky in a house in Elm street. No still was found and no arrest was made.

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JUNK DEALERS'

PETITION DENIED

S. Cohen, A. Wolff, Julius Richard, M. Cohen & Son, and A. Levin, junk dealers of this city, submitted a petition at the regular meeting of the license commissioners' last evening opposing the granting of a junk dealer's license to Abraham Forman of 37 Suffolk street. The reason given in the petition for opposition was that there is a sufficient number of junk dealers doing business in this city at the present time. After taking the matter under advisement the license commission refused to honor the petition and granted the license to the above named applicant. Applicant and petitioners were represented by counsel, but none of the petitioners was present.

The petition submitted is as follows: "We, the undersigned merchants in Lowell, dealers in junk, waste paper, metals, etc., respectfully request of the board of license commission in the city of Lowell that they refuse to grant and do not grant a license as a junk dealer to one A. Forman, for the reason that we, who are already engaged in the said business, believe that there are a sufficient number of men and firms now doing business in that line in Lowell."

The petition was submitted on the occasion of a public hearing given the applications of Messrs. Forman and Schuchman of 97 Suffolk street and Julius Richard of 107 Suffolk street, who asked for permits to carry on junk business in this city.

By a peculiar coincidence, Julius Richard, a petitioner opposing the granting of licenses, was one of the applicants. When questioned relative to this, Mr. Richard explained that he signed the petition when presented to him by the other dealers under a misapprehension. He stated that he believed that the refusal to grant licenses to any of the applicants would not be fair.

Counsel for Mr. Forman, an applicant, declared it not right for any number of men to hold a monopoly on any business. It would be as just, he said, to limit the number of lawyers, or auctioneers or grain dealers, or the ground that there are already enough of them.

The following minor permits were granted by the board: Lodging house, Mrs. James Carr, 263 Appleton street; Mary Anne Lemay, 855 Merrimack street; Louise M. Winters, 11 Brookline street; S. L. Lumb, 38 Chestnut street; Express, Joseph A. Dubois, 131 Salem street; Common victualers, Philip Letourneau, 101 Church street; Sale of second hand motors, Pawtucket Motors Co., 597 Merrimack street. To sell ice cream on the Lord's day, Gustave Glavines, 44 Fenwick street.

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RETURNS VERDICT

FOR DEFENDANT

A verdict in favor of the defendant has been returned by a jury in the superior court in the case of Mildred B. Bowers, a 13-year-old girl suing Dr. Boyden H. Pillsbury, through her father. The case has been on trial for a week.

The plaintiff sought to recover compensation for suffering and alleged permanent injuries claimed to have resulted from the improper surgical and medical treatment given by the defendant following an automobile accident in which the child was involved.

A number of questions were submitted to the jury for answering. They returned a reply to only one and the answer to this disposed of all the others. The question was: "Did the defendant, Dr. Pillsbury, exercise that degree of care and skill in treating the plaintiff that is possessed by the surgeons of Lowell and its vicinity, and like communities?" The answer returned was "Yes."

Dr. Pillsbury appeared for the defense. The case was argued by Mr. Howard S. Rogers.

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MINSTREL SHOW

Knight of Columbus Glee Club Plans Annual Minstrel Entertainment—Variety and Novel Program

Preparations are under way for the annual minstrel entertainment of the Knight of Columbus Glee club to be held late in January. A varied and novel program has been arranged by Director William P. Thornton, and the advent of new talent into the council together with the assistance of the old favorites should insure a most successful production. The next rehearsal for the affair will be held Sunday afternoon at 3 o'clock and all members interested in the affair are invited to attend.

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FIGHTING IN IRELAND

Battle Between Civilians and Soldiers and Police—Many Casualties

DUBLIN, Dec. 22 (by the Associated Press).—Heavy fighting has taken place between large forces of civilians on one side and soldiers and police on the other, in the section lying between Callan, County Kilkenny, and Glenbowser, County Tipperary. The fighting, which was reported yesterday, resulted in the deaths of several soldiers, killed; 10 or 15 civilians killed, and Sgt. Shannon and several soldiers wounded. About 50 civilians were wounded or captured.

An official communication issued by the general headquarters last night, estimates the casualties among the attacking forces at 16 and gives the military casualties as one severely wounded. No police casualties are mentioned. The statement says that the details are still in doubt and that no information has yet been received regarding the ambush of police reinforcements from Clonmel.

The inhabitants of the countryside are in a state of terror and many are fleeing from their homes. The first conflict occurred early in the day at the foot of Slievenamon hill. After a short fight the military forces got through and sent a message to Callan for reinforcements. In this instance it is believed the ambushers escaped unscathed.

Reinforcements of Royal Irish constabulary and soldiers left Callan late in the afternoon and when about two miles out ran into another ambush near Carrick Grilken. At the first volley from the ambushers, the soldiers and police dismounted from the lorry and spread out, and a brisk fight ensued, the fighting being intense.

The fighting was still in progress when County Inspector Whyte of Kilkenny, with a dozen men of the constabulary, dashed on on another lorry, running into the thick of it. It was now becoming dark and the police lorry was subjected to a veritable hail of bullets. It was riddled, and Sgt. Walsh was shot through the head, dying instantly. Shannon received wounds in the head and arms. The battle was very fierce. District Inspector Baynam had a narrow escape, his life being shattered in his hand.

About the same time, reinforcements from Clonmel were attacked near Glenbowser, where the heaviest battle of the day occurred.

20 Killed in Ireland in Week

LONDON, Dec. 22.—Twenty persons were killed in Ireland during the last week-end, according to a statement made in the house of commons yesterday by Sir Hankey, secretary of the secretary for Ireland, in reply to a question. Sir Hankey said three persons were murdered by unknown individuals. The others were civilian Sinn Feiners, who were killed while attacking crown forces or attempting to evade arrest.

Attack on Cork Postoffice

CORK, Dec. 22.—Armed men last night raided the postoffice department of the postoffice. The raiders leveled their revolvers at members of the staff and citizens in the building, but the police on duty promptly opened fire. In the exchange of shots one raider was killed and several persons wounded, including members of the raiding gang who were taken into custody. Troops quickly surrounded the building.

A simultaneous attempt was made to raid the auxiliary postoffice in Douglas street. This attempt failed.

FUNERAL NOTICES

MARY E. CONNOR—Died Dec. 21. Mrs. Mary E. Connor, nee O'Connell, funeral will take place on Friday morning at 9 o'clock from her late home, Salem road, Billerica, Mass. Funeral high mass of requiem will be sung at St. Andrew's church, North Billerica, at 9 o'clock. Burial will take place in St. Patrick's cemetery, Lowell. The funeral arrangements will be in charge of Undertakers M. H. McDonough Sons.

RUTYNA—The funeral of Stanislaw Rutyna will take place Thursday morning at 7 o'clock from the home of her parents, 41 Burken Hill, Lowell. Burial will take place at Holy Trinity church at 1:30 o'clock. Burial will take place in St. Patrick's cemetery, Lowell. Undertaker Jos. Sadowski in charge.

BARRY—The funeral of William T. Barry will take place Thursday afternoon from the home of his parents, Grand street, at 2:30 o'clock. Interment will be in St. Patrick's cemetery. Undertaker Peter H. Savaco in charge of funeral arrangements.

IN MEMORIAM

In memory of Julia Murray, who died Dec. 22, 1918. Think you that we're ever without you. That we lose for an instant, your face, Or the charm that shone always about you. Of your subtle ineffable grace? With the ties of affection most dear We feel thy sweet spirit is near.

HER LOVING FAMILY.

HELD IN PLOT AGAINST MEXICO

SAN ANTONIO, Tex., Dec. 22.—Two prominent Mexicans were held today and the apprehension of others was expected as the result of federal indictments brought here yesterday, charging them with conspiring to set on foot upon United States soil, a military expedition against Mexico. Francisco Vasquez Gomez, an associate of Francisco Madero, when the latter was a candidate for the presidency, and Leon J. Lauri, were arrested last night.

Fund is Still Growing

Continued

As \$10 will feed a European child for a year, and that there are few Christmas gifts that are likely to bring greater returns of satisfaction than giving the food that will save the life of a starving little one.

It is reported that the work of gathering funds for the children is progressing well in some of the towns around Lowell. Committees in charge of the drive have been organized in Chelmsford, Tyngsboro and Westford. The Chelmsford committee, that is making an excellent showing, is composed of Mrs. Edith Hemmingway, Mrs. John B. Emerson, Mrs. Edward Hoyle, Mrs. Charles Devine and Mrs. Fred Snow.

The subscription list at noon today was as follows:

Previously acknowledged	\$591.55
George C. Moore	100.00
Mrs. Josiah Butler	50.00
Friend	50.00
A. C. Cullen	50.00
Mr. J. Hyman	25.00
Mr. J. Hyman	25.00
Miss Leslie Hyman	25.00
Mr. and Mrs. Josiah Butler	25.00
Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Lovejoy	25.00
Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Wadsworth	25.00
Blanchard E. Pratt	25.00
Mr. W. Douglas	25.00
Charles E. Cushman	25.00
Philanthropic class, First Congregational church	15.00
Mr. W. Jones	10.00
Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Isherwood	10.00
Edwin C. Gerrish	10.00
Clarence M. Weed	10.00
Mr. and Mrs. A. E. O'Hair	10.00
Allen M. Nelson	10.00
Mr. and Mrs. O. R. Spaulding	10.00
Mrs. J. W. Hayes	10.00
Mr. and Mrs. William B. Elliott	10.00
John W. Cole	10.00
Florence Nesmith	10.00
Philip S. Mandon	10.00
A. W. S.	10.00
A. Friend of Children	10.00
Alfred P. Sawyer	10.00
Mr. and Mrs. August Anderson	10.00
Friend	10.00
N. G. N.	10.00
Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Ramsay	10.00
Horace P. Beardsley	10.00
Nellie A. Hawes	10.00
Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Lamson	10.00
Eva F. Cumcock	10.00
Mr. and Mrs. Royal E. White	10.00
Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Lundy	10.00
Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Davis	10.00
Edith A. Whitcomb	10.00
S. E. and J. S. S.	10.00
Upper Hall school (additional)	10.00
Edward N. Burke	10.00
Moses Marks	10.00
Sam Walter Fox club	10.00
Charles E. Cushman	10.00
Mrs. M. Lizzie Fox	10.00
Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Davis	10.00
Draught Centre church	2.00
S. C. Hunt	1.00
Flourie W. Tyler	1.00
Helen M. Tyler	1.00
Primary Dept. First Cong. S. S.	5.00
Richard Baker Nelson	5.00
Mrs. Lavigne	5.00
Mrs. Henry D. Blanchard	5.00
Mrs. Anna M. Ham	5.00
R. G. J.	5.00
H. J. Smith	5.00
M. E. M.	5.00
John A. Nelson	5.00
J. E. French	5.00
N. L. Pease	5.00
Mr. Fitzpatrick Kelly	5.00
Frank W. Hall	5.00
Grace Storey Hadley	5.00
A. Family	5.00
M. S. Williams	5.00
Four "Friends" at \$2 each	8.00
M. C. A.	5.00
M. C. A.	5.00
Five "Friends" at \$1 each	5.00
Mr. and Mrs. A. D. Sargent	20.00
Cyrus H. Horton	10.00
W. Woodenden	1.00
Friend	1.00
Henry E. Eastman	10.00
A. Friend	1.00
Charles Stacy French	2.00
Arthur J. Dion	5.00
James B. Russell	5.00
Stephen T. Whitaker	10.00
Ruth C. Preston	10.00
A. Friend	5.00
George T. Trull	10.00
Mr. and Mrs. A. Clive E. Heck	20.00
Mr. Vincent Hockmeyer	5.00
Willie E. Morse	5.00
A. Friend	10.00
Dr. Wm. M. Jones	50.00
Stephen W. Abbott	10.00
Mr. and Mrs. Thomas H. Elliot	10.00
Charles Aveyard	10.00
Am. Mason Safety Tread Co.	25.00
Mrs. Edwin H. Clark	10.00
Friend	2.00
Citra E. Sexton	10.00
Lowell Order, B'nal Brith	50.00
Mr. and Mrs. Benj. S. Ponzner	10.00
Chas. S. and Cyrus Fidler	25.00
Brother	5.00
Percy J. White	5.00
Friend	5.00
Friend	2.00
Nellie W. Slater	2.00
Mr. and Mrs. Paul R. Bachelder	10.00
Friend	5.00
Friend	1.00
A. Mother	1.00
Friend	1.00
Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Wilson	10.00
Total	\$122.65

AMERICAN PLANE FLIES 225 MILES IN MEXICO

VERA CRUZ, Dec. 22.—An American airplane driven by Fernando Proal, a Mexican aviator, with Augustin Hernandez as mechanic, flew from Mexico City to Vera Cruz yesterday, the distance of 225 miles being made in two hours and 20 minutes. The principal object of the flight was to determine the feasibility of a regular service between Mexico City, Puebla and Vera Cruz.

The aviators maintained a speed of 56 miles an hour. It was necessary for the pilot to climb to a height of 12,000 feet in crossing the mountain range in the western part of the state of Vera Cruz.

DEATHS

BARRY—William T. Barry, infant son of Patrick and Lucy Barry, died this morning at the home of his parents, 133 Grand street, aged 21 days.

RUTYNA—Died in this city, Dec. 21, at her parents' home, 41 Burken Hill, Stanislaw Rutyna, aged 13 years, 1 month and 28 days. She leaves beside her parents, three sisters, Lilian, Mary and Helen, and three brothers, William, Walter and Edward.

ROBETTS—Henri, aged 10 months and 23 days, infant son of Ned and Marie Louise Robetts, died this morning at the home of his parents, 123 Alma street. Burial took place at 3 o'clock this afternoon at St. Patrick's cemetery under the direction of Undertaker Joseph Albert.

LAROCHELLE—Albert, aged 20 days, infant son of Joseph and Elise Larochelle, died this morning at the home of her parents, 6 East Pine st. Burial took place this afternoon at 1 o'clock in St. Joseph's cemetery under the direction of Undertaker Joseph Albert.

MATTHEWMAN—Charles B. Matthewman died this morning at the home of his daughter, Mrs. Samuel A. McQuaid, 8 Colgate street, North Billerica, aged 77 years. He leaves besides his daughter one son, John A. Matthewman, of Honolulu; also four grandchildren. He was a past master Woodstock Lodge A.F. and A.M., and New Haven commander No. 2, Knights Templar of New Haven, Conn. was a member of Connecticut Bar association, and served as city clerk at New Haven for eight years, and was city attorney for six years. He was also a member of the Veterans Graves and a life member of the Republican club of New Haven, Conn. Burial will be at New Haven, Conn.

FUNERALS

WATERS—The funeral services of Mrs. Mary J. Waters were held yesterday at the Old Ladies home, 529 Fletcher street and were largely attended. Rev. Chauncey J. Hawkins, pastor of the First Congregational church, officiated. There were many floral tributes. The deceased was Albert, Ernest and Jesse Whitworth and Joseph Hall. Burial took place in the family lot in the First Primich church cemetery. The funeral services were read by Rev. Chauncey J. Hawkins. The funeral arrangements were in charge of Undertaker William H. Saunders.

WHITWORTH—The funeral services of Thomas Whitworth were held yesterday afternoon at the home of his son, Albert Whitworth, 15 Fairfax street and were largely attended. Rev. Nathaniel W. Matthews, pastor of the First Primich church, officiated. There were many floral tributes. The deceased was Albert, Ernest and Jesse Whitworth and Joseph Hall. Burial took place in the family lot in the First Primich church cemetery. The funeral services were read by Rev. Chauncey J. Hawkins. The funeral arrangements were in charge of Undertaker William H. Saunders.

WHITWORTH—The funeral of Mrs. Barbara Pierce took place this morning from her late home, 4 Woodbury st. at 9 o'clock and was largely attended by sorrowing relatives and friends. The funeral cortege proceeded to St. Patrick's church at 9 o'clock. Burial (funeral) high mass was celebrated by Rev. Francis Keenan. The choir under the direction of Mr. Michael Johnson sang the requiem mass. The body of the mass were sustained by Miss Francis Tighe and Mr. Daniel S. O'Brien. Mr. Johnson presided at the organ. There was a profusion of beautiful floral offerings, as well as many spiritual bouquets. The casket was borne by the following bearers: Messrs. Thomas H. Thomas and William Scully, Edgar Dion, Arthur and Leo Coulmer. Burial was in the family lot in St. Patrick's cemetery where the committal prayers were read in the grave by Rev. Fr. Keenan. Funeral arrangements were in charge of Undertakers O'Connell & Fay.

LAWSON—The funeral of John Lawson, who died Sunday at Plymouth, N. H., was held yesterday from his home. The remains arrived in Lowell on the 1 o'clock train and burial was in the family lot in St. Patrick's cemetery. In charge of funeral director James W. McKenna.

IN THE POLICE COURT

Woman Fined for Larceny—\$150 Fine in Liquor Case—Other Cases

In police court today Maria Silva pleaded guilty to the larceny of goods valued at about \$10 from the A. G. Pollard Co. on Sept. 21, last. She was given a suspended sentence of six months in the house of correction on payment of expenses. Defendant's arrest for larceny revealed other alleged charges, about which the vice squad officers testified.

August Benard and Lottie St. George, charged with lewd and lascivious cohabitation, were given sentences of six months in the house of correction, suspended for six months. On a charge of illegal keeping of liquor, Benard was also found guilty and fined \$150. Both were arrested in a raid made by Vice Squad Officers Moore and Conney, on a house on the corner of Suffolk and Merrimack streets recently.

Allice G. Savard and Blanche A. Lambert, charged with being lewd in behavior since May 1, 1920, were found guilty. The first was given a suspended sentence to the Massachusetts reformatory and the latter continued under \$300 bonds until tomorrow for sentence. They were taken to the jail at the corner of Suffolk and Merrimack streets.

Georgina Marcotte of Providence, R. I., and John Clamphet were found guilty of illegal cohabitation. The former was sentenced to the Massachusetts reformatory and appealed, while the man appealed a sentence of six months to the house of correction. Both were held under bonds of \$300.

Samuel Fudem, charged with a violation of the labor laws by not providing suitable and adequate sanitary facilities for his employees, was put over until Jan. 15.

The complaint against Vincenzo Casselle of assault with a dangerous weapon upon his wife, was dismissed this morning because of lack of evidence. The wife, who was in the hospital for about three weeks, treated for severe abrasions to her head, received, the police allege, at the hands of her husband, refused to testify against him.

Of the drunkenness cases called, John Murphy was sent to the house of correction for three months and John McKenna was fined \$10.

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75c TRIPLET OE CASHMERE HOSE	2 for	\$1.00
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\$2.00 BELT and GARTER SETS		\$1.50
\$1.50 BELT, GARTERS and SUSPENDERS SETS		\$1.00
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BOYS' DEPARTMENT

\$11.00 and \$15.00 "TEDDY" ANGORA SUITS	\$7.50
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For an attractive Christmas gift, secure a flowering plant. Prices from \$1 to \$15; or a splendid fern or rubber plant at \$2, at McManis's, the Prescott street florist.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry J. Marck of this city acted as best man and bridesmaid at the marriage of Mr. Moses Kambejian and Miss Sathag Hagopian, which took place in Lawrence last Saturday.

The following residents of Chelmsford called on the "City of Rome" of the Savannah line for Florida yesterday: Mr. and Mrs. C. Searles, Mr. and Mrs. Everett Whitcomb, Mr. and Mrs. William H. Shedd and E. A. Bartlett.

William N. Gooch, president of the chamber of commerce, appeared before the special legislative committee appointed to draw up an act to regulate the sale of securities in this state in Boston today to relate some of the experiences of the local chamber in this work.

Miss Annie E. Boyle, of 507 Pawtucket street, has sent a check for \$50 to Chief Edward F. Saunders, of the local fire department for the Firemen's Relief association in appreciation of the efforts of members of the local department in saving much of value in a recent fire in her home.

There will be no collection of ashes or garbage by employees of the health department on Saturday Christmas day. Christmas is one of the few holidays in the entire year when these men enjoy. The usual Saturday collections in Belvidere will be deferred to Monday.

Members of the Educational club enjoyed a delightful Christmas program at their regular meeting yesterday afternoon. Rev. E. W. A. Jenkins, pastor of the Dracut Centre Congregational church, entertained with Christmas stories and Christmas poems by G. K. Chesterton were also enjoyed.

No action was taken by the chamber of commerce transportation committee at its meeting last evening on the choice of a successor to Traffic Manager W. F. Whitcomb, who has resigned. A dozen or so applicants for the position were considered but it was finally decided to adjourn for a week during which time the committee will have a chance to learn more about the applicants. The committee extended a vote of thanks to Mr. Whitcomb for his able management of the traffic department since he took charge.

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CAN'T SENTENCE SUGAR THIEVES

Judge Landis' Ruling After Learning of Pardon Given "Millionaire Cattle King"

Man Who Sold Tubercular Cattle Released From Prison by President

CHICAGO, Dec. 22.—Judge Landis yesterday refused to sentence six business men charged with stealing six sacks of sugar from trains in Indiana state commences after learning that President Wilson had last week granted a pardon to James J. Dorsey, known as the "millionaire cattle king."

Dorsey was sentenced to eight years in federal prison by Judge Landis after conviction of selling several thousand head of tubercular cattle throughout the west under forged papers, representing them as government tested and healthy. He began serving his sentence June 1, 1915. Last July President Wilson cut the sentence to four years. At that time Judge Landis in open court declared he could not "understand the workings of the president's mind."

"I can't sentence these men with the Dorsey thing fresh on my mind," Judge Landis declared in court. "Dorsey's activities ran into the thousands of dollars while these men stole only a few hundred dollars' worth of merchandise. I will continue this case indefinitely."

ROUND UP CONTINUES

Two Score More of Suspicious Persons Gathered in by Boston Police

BOSTON, Dec. 22.—"Two score more of suspicious persons were gathered in by the police dragnet in the 24 hours ending with roll call today. The drive that is being prosecuted by officers in plain clothes and in uniform in an effort to bring into custody all persons regarded as likely to be involved in spreading here the crime wave that has rolled over other cities has eliminated several hundred persons from participation to date. The need for alertness was emphasized in an order from Police Commissioner Curtis today and which said that officers in pursuit of suspects should go with revolver in hand."

WILL OPPOSE TAXICAB SERVICE ORDINANCE

The ordinance to regulate taxicab service and fares in Lowell as proposed by the chamber of commerce is not going to pass without challenge by the men who are in the taxi and general automobile business in this city, it is developed today.

A delegation representing a nongovernmental organization of these men was at city hall today interviewing members of the municipal council and City Solicitor William D. Regan on the matter and asked that they be given a hearing if the ordinance is brought to the council.

Originally, it had been proposed to put these men under \$1000 bonds, but a strong protest immediately went up. The automobile men pointed out that practically every member of their organization carried insurance costing anywhere from \$200 to \$300 per year and they felt that putting them under bonds would be an additional burden unwarranted by local conditions.

The bonding clause has been left out of the proposed ordinance, according to Secretary George F. Wolfe of the chamber of commerce and now it is proposed to seek merely regulation of taxi fares. If the ordinance is adopted by the council the fare from the Middlesex street station to any point in the downtown section will be 50 cents and to other parts of the city 75 cents. Formerly, the charge has been 75 cents to the downtown section, while the charges for longer rides have been whatever the driver has seen fit to ask.

It has been pointed out that these public service drivers have had few accidents and that there is no stern necessity for deposits of large bonds by them when the carry insurance.

They were assured by members of the city council that a hearing will be held on the proposed ordinance before any action is taken and that they will be notified. Up to date, the chamber of commerce has not sent the ordinance into the council.

CONSTANTINE TO VISIT GREEK TROOPS

ATHENS, Dec. 22.—Constantine of Greece plans to visit the Greek army in Asia Minor on the Smyrna front some time about New Year's. His trip there is conditioned upon the consent of the allies being given.

The people of Athens continue their celebration of the return of Constantine, strewing the streets with the limbs of palm trees and holding processions. Villagers near Athens are preparing to present Constantine with a golden cavalry saddle, the cost of which is estimated at \$25,000.

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SAYS JUSTICE PREVAILS

Judge Tells Jury, in Closing Court, That Legal System Has Defects

Justice prevails in the long run, despite defects in our system of administering the law, asserted Judge Elias Bishop in addressing the members of the jury panel at the close of the fall session of the superior court in Lowell today.

"There are defects in the jury system," continued the judge, "as there are defects in everything that is human. The jury system, however, has stood for many years. It has stood the test of time since the earliest days when it originated in England. It is the fairest method we can get for determining differences between men."

In opening his address the judge referred to the fact that the session began nearly three months ago, and at that time court and jurymen were strangers. He said they had come to know each other better as the days had passed and that in behalf of the county and litigants he wished to thank the jurors for their services.

He said that the session had lasted 62 days and that 42 verdicts had been rendered in 31 cases. He mentioned the fact that a larger number of verdicts had been returned in favor of plaintiffs than defendants. He said that if the session had lasted longer he should have appointed as foremen those who had not had a chance to serve in the position.

"You have come here to serve the county of a service," said the judge in closing his remarks to the jurymen. "Some of you came at a time when your services were greatly needed elsewhere. I have wondered that some of you have not asked to be excused from your work in court. I know especially of three or four men who have served here at considerable cost to themselves. The spirit you have shown cannot be excused."

After the usual "hear ye, hear ye, hear ye" proclamation by Deputy Sheriff George F. Stiles, adjourning the session of the court, a large box of confectionery was presented in behalf of the jurymen to Mrs. Nellie Wood Freeman, official court stenographer.

Early this afternoon the members of the jury, Judge Bishop and the court officers were present at a dinner in the New American House.

The next session of the superior court in Lowell opens in April.

U. S. ENTRY ESSENTIAL

League a Failure Unless All Nations Are Represented, Says Lloyd George

LONDON, Dec. 22.—Premier Lloyd George, presiding at a luncheon today in the house of commons for the British and Dominion delegates to the recent League of Nations assembly in Geneva, declared the league would never achieve real progress until all the nations were represented.

He said he looked forward hopefully to the United States coming into the league. This he asserted, was essential.

There could be no real peace declared the prime minister, until competition in armaments ceased, and, he declared, disarmament was possible, all the nations must be in the league, for all must march together.

He said he was glad to know that all were doing something, he asserted, and that if the Geneva assembly had existed in August, 1914, the war would have been impossible. He was sanguine there would be no obstacle to Germany's admission to the league if she manifested an intention to fulfill her obligations.

NO SKATING YET AT SHEDD PARK

Unless much colder weather sets in at once there is little probability that there will be skating at Shedd park for Christmas. The water department has sent half a million gallons of water into the skating rink but most of it has been absorbed in the earth. What has remained on the surface would provide about an acre of skating if it became frozen, but the thermometer has not yet dropped enough to bring this about.

This evening repairs are to be made at the West Sixth street pumping station and it will be impossible for the water department to send more water to the park for a day or so. It is probable that no further attempt will be made to flood the park until the frost gets a more solid grip on the ground.

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Counsellor at Law

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Counsel for Arthur Mudgett, on Trial for Murder of Amy Shonio, Springs Surprise

BRUTAL MURDER OF MacCURTAIN

Miss Walsh Says Mayor of Cork Shot Down in Presence of Wife and Children

Declares She Was Locked in Vermin-Infested Cell and Jeered by Police

WASHINGTON, Dec. 22.—Miss Susanna Walsh, sister-in-law of the late Lord Mayor MacCurtain of Cork, told today to the commission of the committee of 100 investigating conditions in Ireland, the story of the killing of the mayor, last March 20. She declared he was shot down by Royal Irish Constabulary in the presence of his wife and two small children. Twenty raids had been made on his home previous to the killing and some since, she said.

She declared that she was held up at the point of a pistol in her home a week before she left Cork and questioned concerning inmates of the house and that on another occasion she was locked in a vermin-infested cell and jeered by the police.

Witnessed Burning of Cork

WASHINGTON, Dec. 22.—Two witnesses of the recent burning of the business section of the city of Cork, Misses Annie and Susan Walsh, sisters-in-law of the late Lord Mayor MacCurtain of that city, were here to appear today before the committee of the commission of 100, investigating conditions in Ireland. They also were present at the killing of Mayor MacCurtain.

FINANCIAL CONFERENCE

BRUSSELS, Dec. 22.—(By Associated Press) Payment by Germany of one hundred billion marks in gold remains the basis upon which experts and delegates to the second financial conference in session here are working. This amount, although far below what was authorized by the treaty of Versailles, is considered by them collectable only on condition that Germany is helped along the lines suggested by the German delegates.

Allied experts, in secret individual reports recognize Germany's real necessities, and delegates generally are impressed by arguments that Germany is an insolvent creditor who must be maintained as a going concern. The extent to which strict fulfillment of the Versailles treaty may be waived, however, depends upon the allied governments.

Virtually none of the delegates is still of the opinion that the treaty can be executed literally and allied experts agree with the Germans that reparations must be paid chiefly in kind. Some cash, however, will be demanded after a year or two, if not immediately.

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EXPLOSION KILLS FOUR PRESENTS A NEW WITNESS

\$10,000 Property Damage When Explosion Occurred at Du Pont Powder Plant

SCRANTON, Pa., Dec. 22.—Four men were killed and two injured in an explosion today in the pressing and packing mill of the Du Pont Powder Co., at Belin village, near Moosic, seven miles from here. The property damage amounted to about \$10,000. The plant handles commercial powder largely for the anthracite industry.

CAR SERVICE RESUMED ON CENTRAL BRIDGE

Electric car service was resumed on the Central bridge at 12:25 this afternoon after an interruption of more than a month due to repairs to the structure. A car loaded with rails weighing approximately 45 tons was sent over the bridge on the inbound or upstream track and made the journey safely. Inasmuch as this is twice the weight of the ordinary passenger car, when lifted to capacity, it was deemed safe to allow a resumption of traffic and all lines running into the Centralville section were on regular schedule this afternoon.

The passage of the first car was witnessed by City Engineer Stephen Kearney, E. B. Walker, engineer of the Eastern Massachusetts Street

HUGHES NOT OFFERED PLACE IN CABINET

MARION, Ohio, Dec. 22.—President-elect Harding today denied published statements that he had offered to Charles E. Hughes the appointment of secretary of state in his cabinet.

"I find this one of the most complete bits of holiday fiction writing that has yet been brought to my attention," he told correspondents at his home here.

NEW YORK, Dec. 22.—Charles E. Hughes today characterized published reports that he had been tendered the appointment of secretary of state in the Harding cabinet as "irresponsible rumors."

"I do not care to discuss them," he said.

SHOT TRYING TO ARREST ESCAPED BIGAMIST

ADAMS, Dec. 22.—Patrolman Charles Daniels, 39 years of age, was shot and dangerously wounded this morning by Elmer Whittion, 25 years old, when he tried to arrest Whittion, who escaped yesterday from the house of correction at Pittsfield, to which he had been sentenced for eight months by the North Adams court, after pleading guilty to bigamy on Dec. 14. The bullet took effect in Daniels' groin. He is now at the Plunkett Memorial hospital, while Whittion is lodged in the Adams police station. No specific charge has been preferred against him, pending the outcome of Daniels' injuries.

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The Future HOME Builder

This Bank open for Business Christmas Eve, 5 to 9

Man Says He Saw Girl With a Tall Woman on the Night of Murder

HYDE PARK, Vt., Dec. 22.—Counsel for Arthur Mudgett, on trial for the murder of Amy Shonio, surprised the courtroom today when he presented a witness who testified that he saw a girl answering the description of Miss Shonio with a tall woman on the night of July 31, at the place in Johnson, where the girl's body was later found. The witness placed the meeting of this woman and Amy Shonio at 7 o'clock, which is approximately the time the state alleges that the murder was committed.

The new witness was Fred Ober, a retail monument dealer of Morrisville. He said he kept a diary and that his business trips showed he was in Johnson on July 31. He said he had some work to do on a monument in the cemetery close to where the Shonio girl's body was found. He worked from 3 p. m. to after 7 p. m., or until it became dark. He testified that at about 7 o'clock he noticed a young woman come down a path wearing a red sweater and dark colored skirt. She went over to some bushes near a stone pile on the hill. He went to the gate to get a drink of water and again noticed the girl walking rapidly down the hill past a barn to the road. He saw another woman about six feet in height approaching from the other direction. The tall woman wore a long black cape.

The two met and walked over near the crest of the hill by the ledge and almost out of sight. They were standing up. He saw the smaller woman then turn and start to run and then stop and walk. He then saw that she wore white shoes and stockings. After she had gone a few rods, she turned and looked at him. Then she walked back up the hill to the taller woman. The taller woman had some thing white in her hand, and when the wind blew it unfolded and he saw it was cloth of considerable size.

As he picked up his tools to go home, Ober saw the tall woman standing alone and facing him. She put her hands up to her head. He fixed his car and when he returned to look again the tall woman had disappeared.

He went over into the field but could find no trace of anyone. The witness was cross-examined at length by Attorney General Archibald for the state.

STRIKE IN LAWRENCE

47 Employees of Arlington Mill Protest Wage Cut

LAWRENCE, Dec. 22.—Forty-seven employees of the Arlington mills naphtha plant struck today as a protest against recent wage cuts. The men claim their wages were reduced 10 per cent on Dec. 13 and 22½ per cent on Dec. 20.

Officials at the plant say the trouble is caused by putting the men on a piece work basis and that the places of all on strike have been filled by other workers.

Fiume Besieged by Italian Regulars

Blockade Ordered

UDINE, Italy, Dec. 22.—(By Associated Press)—Fiume, the stronghold of Captain Gabriele d'Annunzio, the insurgent Italian leader, is besieged by regular Italian forces.

ROME, Dec. 22.—General Cavaglia, commander of the Italian regiments surrounding Fiume has ordered a rigorous blockade of Fiume and the islands of Veglia, Arbe and San Marco. He gives 48 hours to those who wish to leave the blockaded region before it is invested.

Ponzi's Christmas Greeting to Creditors

BOSTON, Dec. 22.—Charles Ponzi today sent from Plymouth jail a Christmas greeting to his thousands of creditors, bidding them be of good cheer. His letter, written on expensive bond paper was engraved with the legend: "Charles Ponzi, Plymouth, Mass.!" The one-time financier who is serving a five year sentence for using the mails in a scheme to defraud expressed a hope that the miscarriage of his creditors' investments would not mar the spirit of the Christmas season and asked them to look forward with him to the day when he would step from the jail a free man to aid them in recovering their losses. In closing he asked that if his Yuletide message found any response among them that they would send a "word of sympathy and encouragement to his wife and mother."

No Boxing Bouts on Christmas Day

BOSTON, Dec. 22.—The state boxing commission announced today that it had decided not to issue any permits for Christmas day or Christmas night. This regulation will be enforced throughout the state. Plans had been made to conduct meets in Boston, Worcester, Lowell, and on the Cape.

FUND IS STILL CLIMBING

\$1000 Boost to Campaign for Starving Children

The fund for the relief of the starving children of Europe, to be expended under the direction of Mr. Hoover's European relief committee, is rapidly mounting toward the \$10,000 mark.

The first sizable contribution of the campaign has been made by Deacon A. D. Carter, who has given \$1000. In a letter accompanying his subscription, he says:

"The need of the starving children, as shown by Mr. Hoover, is very urgent. At this Christmas season, when we are exchanging our gifts, I am sure we shall enjoy them all the more if we share them with the needy ones, and I think it will be a joy for my heart to feel that I am saving the lives of 100 of them."

With \$10,000 set as the quota for Lowell to raise, if the city is to do its part toward bringing nourishment to the hungry little ones, and with but three more days of the campaign remaining, an intensive movement of cash in the direction of the Union National bank, where George H. Chandler, treasurer of the fund, receives contributions, will be necessary.

Unless the city is to be recorded in the "also ran" class, when the total of the nation-wide subscriptions is made up, an average of \$10,000 a day must be raised between now and the setting of the sun on Christmas day.

It is pointed out that so small a sum Continued to Page 14

205 ARRESTED IN N. Y. RAIDS

Men and Women Taken From All Night Entertainment Resorts

Rifle Squad With Orders to Shoot to Kill Round-up 15 Persons

NEW YORK, Dec. 22.—More than 200 men and five women, arrested in two raids on all night entertainment resorts were lined up at various police stations today to be questioned by detectives regarding their recent activities. The detectives sought persons who might throw light upon the search for solutions of the many holdups and murders within the last few days.

One of the raids was on an east side restaurant, and the other on an uptown "club house." The plain clothes detectives purchased tickets to the performance and uniformed men, who made the arrests, were stationed outside.

Fifteen arrests were reported by the rifle squad of twenty sharpshooters who toured the city all night with orders from Police Commissioner Enright to shoot to kill. Some of them were released on bail before the police lineup.

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ARMY FLIER TRYING FOR RECORD FORCED DOWN

MINNEOLA, N. Y., Dec. 22.—Lieut. Ross C. Kirkpatrick, army flier, who was forced down early today, while attempting to break the world's record for continuous flight, will have another try, at the record soon, he declared upon alighting from his 400-horse-power motor plane.

He landed at Mitchell field at 1:30 o'clock this morning, owing to a gasoline leak after being in the air a little more than 18 hours—about six hours short of the record.

The army flier and Max Goodenough, his civilian mechanic, made several attempts to mend the pipe, but the tank was located under the cockpit, and was inaccessible in mid-air. The fuel supply was virtually exhausted when they came to earth.

Except for this mishap, the aviators declared they could have kept up the flight 18 hours more.

The record for continuous flight is held by Lieut. Boussooutrot, a French pilot, who remained in the air 24 hours, 19 minutes and 7 seconds last June.

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UNITED STATES CARTRIDGE CO.
The entire plant of the United States Cartridge company will close Friday night and remain closed until January 3 to take inventory. A few employees will be held to assist in the work of the stock-taking.

The road from Palmyra to Burlington, N. J., has been named St. Michel Drive.

\$1,000,000 Fire Loss at Venice, Cal.

VENICE, Cal., Dec. 22.—Damage estimated at \$1,000,000 was caused by fire which burned for two hours on the amusement pier here last night. Charles Kirby, a volunteer fireman, fell with the roof of one structure and suffered burns from which he died.

Pres. Wilson Goes Window Shopping

WASHINGTON, Dec. 22.—President Wilson went window shopping on F street yesterday, viewing the Christmas crowds and the brightly decorated shops from an open automobile. Accompanied by Mrs. Wilson, he was driven slowly down one side of the street, which is the main artery of the capital's shopping district and back up the other, few in the hurrying crowds of shoppers recognizing him.

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THIRD FLOOR

THE EVICTION OF TENANTS

(Special to The Sun.)
STATE HOUSE, Boston, Dec. 22.—Honest efforts are being made by the state commission on necessities of life to prevent what it terms "inhuman and brutal" evictions of tenants by landlords.

Agents of the commission have been covering the larger cities of the state, and whenever they learn of a contemplated eviction they notify headquarters in Boston. Then if the facts seem to warrant, the landlord receives from the commission a letter substantially as follows:

"Your tenant, _____, has appealed to this commission in reference to difficulties encountered in vacating your premises.

"The industrial depression has affected nearly all lines of business causing widespread unemployment and with the present high cost of living, suffering and hardship have resulted in many families. We strongly urge that leniency be shown your tenant in effecting readjustment.

"We sincerely trust that you may have your co-operation and that you will not resort to inhuman or brutal methods in treating this case. Kindly advise this office of your attitude in this connection."

In nearly every instance the landlord to whom such a letter has been sent has accepted it in the spirit in which it was written, the practical reason being that no landlord is anxious to put himself "in bad" with the commission.

HOYT.

ASSESSING PROPERTY

Some definite recommendation as to changes in the methods of assessing property in this city will probably be forthcoming this evening at the chamber of commerce rooms, when the chamber's committee on municipal affairs, John M. O'Donoghue, chairman, will meet. The committee will consider a report to be submitted by Herbert J. Ball on the so-called Cambridge system of assessing which divides the city into zones in determining property values.

BOY STILL MISSING

On thousand notices have been sent out to the police of surrounding cities and towns by Superintendent Welch of the local department asking them to be on the look-out for Victor Dixon, age 9 years, kidnapped from the Moody school about one year ago. Description given declares the boy of light complexion, height 1 foot, 8 inches, and weight about 50 pounds. Information should be given either to the police or to William Dixon, 72 Davidson street, Lowell.

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METHODS OF CANDIDATES

Bill to Disqualify For Office Any Incumbent Convicted of Slander or Libel Filed With Clerk of House
(Special to The Sun.)
STATE HOUSE, Boston, Dec. 22.—A bill to disqualify for public office any incumbent who is convicted of slander or libel of an opponent was filed with the clerk of the house today upon petition of Robert M. Washburn, late independent republican candidate for lieutenant-governor.

The bill is obviously an outcome of the Fuller-Warner controversy which arose just prior to the September primaries. It will be recalled that Fuller made sensational charges against Warner, that the latter was defeated, and that Washburn thereupon became an independent candidate against Fuller, receiving 122,000 votes. Recipient Speaker Warner filed suit against Fuller, seeking damages of \$100,000.

Mr. Washburn's bill, which is entitled "An Act to regulate the political methods of candidates for public office," is as follows:

Section 1. In an action for slander or libel, criminal or civil, for words published in a campaign for a nomination or election, where the defendant has been elected to a public office, upon a verdict of guilty or upon a recovery of judgment for the plaintiff, the court shall enter a decree declaring void the election of the defendant to the office to which he has been elected, and declaring the office vacant. If the aggrieved person, or the plaintiff, shall prove to the satisfaction of the court that he was defeated for such election because of such slander or libel, the court shall declare him to be the lawful incumbent of such office; and, upon duly qualifying, therefore, as required by law, he shall be fully recognized as such.

Section 2. Upon motion which shall be in order at any time before the action is placed upon the "short list," so-called, the court shall advance such action for speedy trial.

Section 3. In an action for slander or libel, a verdict of guilty, or a recovery of judgment for the plaintiff, shall be equivalent to a finding that the defendant has committed a corrupt practice under section thirty-seven of chapter fifty-five of the general laws, and subject to the penalties therein set out.

Section 4. This act shall take effect on its passage.
HOYT.

SPECIAL MEETING

Friends of Irish Freedom Will Hold Special Meeting in Liberatorian Hall This Evening
The Friends of Irish Freedom will hold a special meeting this evening in Liberatorian hall, 115 Middle street, to elect officers for 1921. All members having coupon books are asked to make returns for the same this evening so that the funds may be sent as speedily as possible to people now suffering in Cork, Ireland.

ASSISTANT POSTMASTER ARRESTED

HONOLULU, Dec. 22.—Assistant Postmaster W. C. Peterson has been arrested here, accused of failing to deposit postoffice funds in the treasury and failing to pay the postmaster general such funds.

Postmaster D. H. McAdam stated the shortage exceeded \$20,000, and that Peterson admitted the shortage, but said he did not know where the funds went.

"Christmas Burglar With a Heart"

CHICAGO, Dec. 22.—A "Christmas burglar with a heart" heeded the pleas of Ruth Mailey, aged 10, not to take her Christmas present when she found him in her home yesterday on her return home for lunch. The burglar was eating her lunch, which had been left by her mother before going downtown shopping. He took her to the parlor and played little jingles and Christmas songs on the piano for her. When she told him she would have to return to school, he said: "Tell your mother I'll return some day and steal everything in the house," but he left without taking anything.

Several Hundred Killed in R. R. Wreck

LONDON, Dec. 22.—A Central News despatch from Helsingfors, Finland, under Tuesday's date, says that several hundred persons were killed or injured in a railway accident near Petrograd. The accident was due, it is stated, to overcrowding of a train, but details are lacking.

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Fatted Geese, lb.....48¢

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Morris Supreme, lb.....27¢
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Small Lean Loins, lb.....22c
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Lean Fresh Butts, lb.....16c
Pork Chops, lb.....28c

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OUR OWN MAKE
Sausage Meats, lb.....25c
Large Pork Sausage, lb.....27c
Small Pork Sausage, lb.....28c
Tomato Sausage, lb.....25c

BILLION EARNED BY U. S. MERCHANT FLEET

NEW YORK, Dec. 22.—More than \$1,000,000 in gross revenue has been earned by the government controlled merchant fleet since it began operations, Chairman Benson of the shipping board declared last night in an address before the municipal club of Brooklyn.

While the board cannot show a profit as large as would have been the case if the fleet had been privately owned, Chairman Benson said this million dollars stayed in this country and but for the possession of a fleet built by the government would have been spent for the use of foreign bottoms. Had there been no nation able to take up Germany's position when her maritime power was wiped out, he asserted, economic catastrophe would have been monopolized by Great Britain, "whose crying trade needs naturally would have come first."

A great deal of dissatisfaction arising from recent developments will disappear, the chairman declared through realization that the country has a great fleet of vessels profitably employed in spreading the products of America to all parts of the world.

HIGHLANDS COUNCIL

A meeting of the Highlands council of the American Association for Reorganization of the Irish Republic was held last evening and the various workers in the membership drive were allotted their streets and sub-districts. The council organized temporarily and then adjourned until next Tuesday, when officers will be elected. A similar meeting will be held this evening in St. Patrick's school hall in Suffolk street for the "Acres" district.

HELP FOR CHILDREN OF THE NEAR EAST

A touching appeal is being made to the people of Lowell to come to the assistance of the homeless and hungry children of the Near East by a committee of which Samuel H. Thompson, 121 School street, is the treasurer. The fund is to help care for 110,000 orphaned children, who are suffering from want of food, and whose only succor from starvation as well as protection from extermination, by the Turks, must come from workers employed by the committee in charge of the fund.

The subscriptions received to date are:

John E. Foster	10.00
George M. Heath	5.00
Charles S. Proctor	10.00
George R. Dana	10.00
Frank P. Cheney	10.00
Harvey B. Greene	10.00
Emma B. Marshall	5.00
Women's Association of Eliot Union church	30.00
Joshua Butler	10.00
John W. Cole	10.00
William A. Arnold	2.00
Eva F. Cunningham	10.00
C. Forrest Martin, M.D.	25.00
Donald M. Cameron	50.00
Mrs. Valdes	1.00
Chelmsford St. Baptist Church	105.00
and Sunday School	25.00
Albert H. Morton	94.50
Previously acknowledged	94.50
Total	\$1275.50

FOUR CHARGED WITH MURDER DISCHARGED

MALDEN, Dec. 22.—The four defendants charged with the murder by poisoning of Fred B. Shepard, wealthy Georgia peach grower, last June, were discharged last night by Judge Matthews, before whom they had been arraigned at a preliminary hearing. Judge Matthews held that even if Shepard had been poisoned the state had not presented evidence sufficient to connect the defendants with the deed. Testimony of medical experts he also said, had been conflicting. The defendants were Shepard's widow, now Mrs. Pauline Blumer; her son, Ernest Hopson; her sister, Mrs. Iona Henry; and Mrs. Annie Lutz of Fitzgerald. The state had charged they had poisoned Shepard in a plot to obtain possession of his money.

SOLDIER LISTED AS DEAD COMES HOME

PASSAIC, N. J., Dec. 22.—With a gold star opposite his name on Passaic's roll of honor, Lloyd A. Fogarty, former local high school athlete, returned yesterday from the military service. He was reported by the Red Cross as killed in action in France more than two years ago and had been eulogized in all the town's memorial exercises.

Fogarty explained his absence by relating discharge difficulties resulting because he arbitrarily decided in 1917 that he preferred service in the marine corps to that in the army in order that he might be sent overseas earlier. He said he did not wish to inform relatives and friends of his whereabouts pending honorable release from the service. Having been discharged from the marine corps, Fogarty presented himself at Governor's Island last October, made a voluntary confession and yesterday was given an honorable discharge from his original army enlistment.

9-YEAR-OLD BOY STABS PLAYMATE

NEW YORK, Dec. 22.—Fighting with a playmate for possession of a stray dog, Frank Verillo, 9, was stabbed, probably fatally, here last night. James Romano, 9, with a dirty little knife at his heels, walked into a police station and surrendered himself. "I'm sorry. He wanted to take the dog away from me. I didn't mean to hurt him," he said. James was given into the custody of Children's society officials. The terrible tale between the legs, scurried away.

CHRISTMAS PARTY
A successful Christmas party in the form of a dance and social was held last evening at the Community Service club. The affair was organized as a last attempt to raise money for the club and the receipts of the evening were very substantial. About 300 young people were in attendance and all thoroughly enjoyed the dance program. During the evening the drawing contest for a large turkey was brought to a close, the lucky winner being Hildegarde Gagnon of Cheever street. The party was under the supervision of Miss Anna Tierney, assisted by Misses Julia McCaffrey, Ruth Doherty and Laura Fisher.



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LASTS" FOR HIM
OR HER?
Step In To
RICARD'S
123 CENTRAL ST.
"The Gift House"

RECORD CROWD AT ELLIS ISLAND

NEW YORK, Dec. 22.—Immigration officials at Ellis Island are preparing for the greatest Christmas rush of immigrants in the history of this port. Special plans have been made to expedite the movement of between 20,000 and 25,000 newcomers during the few days preceding the holiday. Thousands of immigrants lined their departure from Europe so that they might spend Christmas with relatives in this country and the immigration authorities have speeded up the inspection machinery to make this possible.

Despite the extra efforts, officials say thousands will be disappointed. Christmas day is expected to find Ellis Island overflowing with immigrants and several ships waiting to unload their human freight. Recently immigrants have been arriving at the rate of more than 2000 daily and more than 20,000 have been in transit on the ocean at one time.

Welfare organizations have offered their co-operation to the island officials to bring a bit of holiday cheer to the newcomers who may be there Christmas day. With the high tide of incoming Europeans, there has also been a large emigration from this port during the past month. The outgoing are mostly persons who were returning to Europe for a visit and to pass the holidays with the "old folks." A small proportion announced their intention of remaining abroad, using their savings in the unbuilding of business under new conditions.

DRY AGENTS MUST HAVE WARRANTS

BOSTON, Dec. 22.—The suggestion that prohibition enforcement officers, who seized liquor without a warrant might be held personally liable, was made by Federal Judge Morton yesterday. Henry Goddard had petitioned the court for a writ of mandamus against the supervising federal prohibition agent, William J. McCarthy, seeking return of an automobile and 123 bottles of whisky taken from a garage in the Brighton district on Dec. 6. Testimony was that the officers who made the seizure had no warrant and that two days later when they applied for a United States Commissioner Hayes refused to issue it. Turning to counsel for Goddard, Judge Morton said: "Why don't you proceed to enforce personal liability against the persons who made the seizure? Why shouldn't you make a demand upon the officers for the return of the automobile and if they refuse to give it up then proceed against them. They will then have to establish step by step at every point in what they did they acted within their authority. Why not make a demand upon the storage warehouse for the liquor?"

FOREMEN SHOW SPEED
The triple combination crew of the Branch street engine house was given a speed test by Chief Saunders last evening and the result proved very gratifying. Early in the evening the chief sent in an unexpected call to the company to report at Liberty and Pine streets, hitch to a hydrant, lay hose and have a stream of water working as quick as possible. He noted the time when he sent in the call and then hurried to the scene, covering the distance in a little over six and one-half minutes. When he arrived there the engine was pumping a good stream of water through several feet of hose. The truck company of the same house was not called upon to raise a 45-foot extension ladder against the Morey school and within three minutes and 31 seconds the ladder was in place and men were eliminating it. Chief Saunders was elated with the test.

O.M.I. CADET BASKETBALL TEAM
At its first meeting for practice last evening the O.M.I. cadet basketball team selected Dan O'Connor captain. Rev. Fr. Sullivan, O.M.I. then announced the appointment of Francis Gargan as manager. The practice last night, being the first, was taken easily. With one or two weeks' practice the team will be ready to challenge some of the best teams of the city. The members of this year's team are D. O'Connor, J. O'Connor, J. Curran, J. Flanagan, J. Sullivan, J. Cassidy, R. Thomas and F. Gargan. The next practice will be held tomorrow evening in the cadet armory and those managers desiring to arrange the games may meet Manager Gargan at that time.

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All new styles, made from finest French voile. With or without collars, round or square neck. Lace or embroidery, ribbon and pearl buttons are used effectively as trimmings. In holly boxes. |
| Envelope Chemises . . . \$2.50
Crepe de chine and satin of good quality. Cut large and well made; lace trimmed. Flesh color only. Christmas boxes. | Night Gowns \$1.50
In attractive holiday boxes. Pretty gowns, low necks, short sleeves, with hainburg, lace or embroidery trimmings. All sizes. |
| Camisoles \$1.00
Crepe de chine and satin, trimmed with very fine laces. Flesh color, also brown, green and black. | Gowns \$2.00
Very fine nainsook, made in several different styles. Dainty lace and ribbon, also hainburg yokes. Holly boxes. |
| Camisoles \$1.50
White, flesh color, dark brown, blue, black and dresden. All satin, with lace, embroidery or hemstitch trimmings. Large and small sizes. | Gowns \$2.50
Extra fine materials, made in new and dainty styles. Low necks, short sleeves. Generous trimmings of lace, hainburg and satin ribbon. In boxes. |
| Petticoats \$2.50
Extra fine white cambric with good fitting bodies and deep flounces of dainty lace and hainburg. In attractive holiday boxes. | White Petticoats \$1.50
Made of good wearing cambric, with flounces of pretty hainburg. In boxes. |
| | Petticoats \$2.00
With wide ruffles, fine lace or hainburg, in a variety of patterns. Christmas boxes. |

READY-TO-WEAR SECTION THE GREAT UNDERPRICED BASEMENT

MRS. ELLEN O'GRADY SETS OFF A BOMB

BY E. M. THIERRY
NEW YORK, Dec. 22.—A gray-haired woman is responsible for the greatest police explosion in New York since the Becker case. Thousands of policemen and hundreds of politicians are on the anxious seat because of the revelations Mrs. Ellen A. O'Grady, just resigned as fifth deputy police commissioner, threatens to make. They wonder: Will Mrs. O'Grady dare make good her threat to reveal "a thousand and one things about the police department?"

His Stone Wall
Mrs. O'Grady, like some other women raised to political office, ran against

the invisible stone wall hidden among the mysteries of "practical politics." She had spent many years as a probation officer. Encomiums were showered on her by Mayor Hylan. She was appointed fifth deputy in charge of policewomen.

"I found," said Mrs. O'Grady, "that I no longer would be allowed to give the women, the young girls, the children of New York a square deal." "They said I was to confine my efforts to protecting children—but I was to keep away from Broadway. They didn't want me to keep the women off the streets in the White Light district. But I refused to let them suppress me."

Charges Hounding
Mrs. O'Grady in resigning charged she had been hounded. Among other things she said she had been threatened in an attempt to arrest two rich men who had lured two 17-year-old girls to a Riverside Drive apartment and mistreated them. "I know I made good," said Mrs. O'Grady. "Last year 14,000 youngsters were checked on the road to delinquency. Commissioner Enright has denied all Mrs. O'Grady's charges."

HELD CHRISTMAS TREE EXERCISES

The Lowell telephone operators held their annual Christmas tree in Lincoln hall last evening. The affair was in the form of a brief business meeting followed by general dancing, interspersed with musical and literary numbers and the distribution of gifts to all present.

About 100 girls were in attendance and during the brief business session, which was presided over by Miss Helen M. Moran, routine business was transacted. Those who contributed to the entertainment were Miss Frances Johnson and Miss Kathleen Jennings. The role of Santa Claus was played by Miss Catherine Poughan, Miss Kitty Connolly and Miss Sadie Hughes, and every girl present was remembered with a gift. The affair was very successful and provided great enjoyment for all.

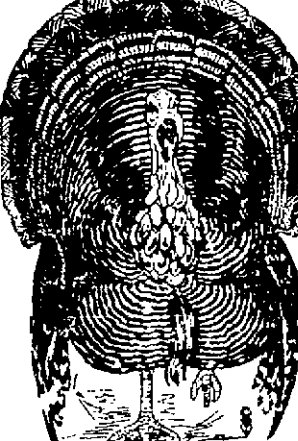
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48c Lb.	Large, Heavy Grapefruit. 3 for 25¢	48c Lb.

FRESH ROAST PORK, lb. 22c

FANCY SIRLOIN ROAST	FRESH THICK RIB	FANCY FIRST RIB ROAST
35c Lb.	Cut from heavy steers 12c Lb.	28c Lb.

Leg and Loin of Winter Lamb, lb. 19c

HEAVY TOP ROUND STEAK	FANCY CAPE COD CRANBERRIES	FANCY SIRLOIN STEAK
38c Lb.	15c Qt.	40c Lb.

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DIRECTS SURGERY IN SEA STORM BY WIRELESS

BOSTON, Dec. 22.—How the chief surgeon on the Leyland liner Winfredian directed by wireless the setting of seamen's broken bones and the care of internal injuries on the Belgian steamer Menapier after she had been badly battered by a hurricane was told yesterday when the Winfredian reached port from Liverpool. The surgeon is Patrick Burns of Providence, a veteran of the medical service in the world war.

An S.O.S. message from the Belgian ship requesting medical aid for seamen injured by the heavy seas was picked up by the Winfredian several days out. The distressed steamer, bound for Antwerp from New Orleans, was 100 miles away but under forced draught the Winfredian got within hailing distance in a few hours.

"Hit hard by a hurricane," explained the Belgian captain. "Several others have broken legs and arms and some injured internally. There's no doctor aboard. Can you help us?"

Dr. Burns attempted to put out in a lifeboat, but toppling seas and a strong wind prevented the launching. He then conceived the idea of using the wireless to instruct the injured members of the Menapier's crew how to set their comrades' broken bones and ease their suffering.

Detail after detail as to the men's condition spluttered off the receiver in the Winfredian's wireless room and carefully Dr. Burns dictated treatment required. For three days the two vessels lay within hailing dis-



MARTHA NEUMARK
SHE'LL BE FIRST WOMAN RABBI

Upon completing her course of study at the Hebrew Union college in Cincinnati, Miss Martha Neumark of Cincinnati, will become the only woman rabbi in the United States. Miss Neumark is the first girl to take up the rabbinical course.

lance, unable to communicate by boat, while the surgeon's instructions were obeyed.

On the fourth day came this message from the Menapier's captain: "All your instructions safely carried out. The men are resting comfortably and are out of danger."

Dr. Burns, who holds decorations from the French, British, Italian and Belgian governments, in the world war was on four vessels that were torpedoed by German submarines. He is an honorary member of the Y.M.C.A. division, having served on several of the transports that took units of New England troops overseas.

EXPLORE HOMES OF EXTINCT RACE

BY EARL H. MORRIS,
Expedition Leader for American Museum of Natural History

The discovery of hundreds of pottery vessels, scores of ancient tombs, and numerous unexplored Pueblo ruins and cemeteries rewarded our recent expedition into the Navajo country, New Mexico. More chance led us to the richest find of the season.

Thirty miles south of the shiprock agency we noticed a number of low mounds scattered here and there over the breast of the desert. They glistened in the sunlight as if strewed with bits of mirror.

Upon investigation, the elevations proved to be the ruined buildings and cemeteries of a prehistoric village, nearly a mile in length. The mounds were literally covered with fragments of broken pottery; the polished sur-

faces of which had reflected the sun's rays, and so drawn our attention.

There had been more than 20 buildings in the village, varying in size from four to as many as 30 rooms. Aside from determining that the rooms were small, and that the walls of the structures were composed of this, unworked slabs of sandstone laid with adobe clay of mortar, we did no excavating in the buildings.

The winds of centuries had blown away the dust and ashes from the refuse heaps in which the dead were interred until bones and mortuary canes were left protruding from the soil. Each body lay in what had been a pit dug into the refuse.

In preparation for burial, the knees were drawn up against the chest, and the feet thrown backward toward the hips, evidently to make the body take up as little space as possible.

The wealth of objects accompanying the skeletons of children was pathetic evidence that the hearts of this primitive people were deeply riven by the loss of their little ones. Covering the bones of one mere infant were an elegant red bowl, a slender drinking vessel, and a small vase filled with jewelry, ornaments and shell beads and pendants from the far Pacific; the latter a treasure which may well have meant the entire wealth of a family.

The two hundred pottery vessels found in the tombs indicate that this desert settlement belonged to a culture period more ancient than that represented by the enormous community dwelling at Aztec, New Mexico. In the exploration of which our efforts have been centered for the last five years.

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FRED N. ZIHLMAN

HE TAKES CAKE

What good it is, or why he wants to keep it, goodness knows! Anyhow, here's Representative Fred N. Zihlman of Maryland, with a little piece of fruit cake baked in 1872, sent him by an admiring constituent, S. T. Stull, of Cumberland, Md. Zihlman is shown holding the inkstand in which the cake is encased. Stull's son carried this slice on the battlefields of France. President Wilson has another slice—or at least he had another slice—of the same cake, sent him when he married the present Mrs. Wilson. Billy Sunday, the evangelist, has had a third piece for years.

ENGLAND PREPARES FOR TRADE FIGHT

(N.E.A. Staff Special)
LONDON, Dec. 22.—England is out for a finish fight with the United States and the rest of the world for trade.

She is not only after foreign trade, but the domestic variety as well. She is going to advertise English service to the world as superior to those of her competitors.

To prepare herself for the struggle she staged at the White City the biggest advertising exhibition ever held. In a week 420,000 visitors—mostly business people—passed the throng.

Value of Advertising
There are lessons for American sellers—these remarks from the opening speech of Sir Robert Horne, president of the board of trade:

Goods are cheapened by advertising, because when advertising increases sales it increases production, thus decreasing costs.

Through adequate advertising British manufacturers can reach every consumer in the world.

All grades of publicity experts, from cabinet ministers to circus press agents, are contributing their bit toward furthering England's campaign. Even society women have been interested.

Lady Mond has been telling women what they owe to advertising.

"In no realm of life," she says, "has the inventor worked so marvelous a revolution as in the home. But your women wouldn't know how invention can lessen your labors without advertising."

The pages of our newspapers are filled with matter particularly designed to attract feminine eyes.

"This is the measure of women's indebtedness to publicity. Without the advertiser's artful aid the modern home would indeed be a poor, bare place of endless toil."

England must tell the world she should be our slogan."

Pop Corn

Pop It Yourself!

Ask your grocer, package store or delicatessen for DICKINSON'S Package Pop Corn.

**Santa Claus—
Snow Ball or
Little Buster**

"Pop It at Home!" Fresh, clean corn that'll pop! Sweet, tender and nutritious. Your local dealer has it. Packed by

THE ALBERT
DICKINSON COMPANY
CHICAGO MINNEAPOLIS

Useful Gifts FOR BOYS

Boys' Overcoats

Why not let your boy find a nice warm, smartly boyish OVERCOAT among his other gifts on Christmas morning.

33 1-3% DISCOUNT ON ALL COATS, WED., THURS. and FRIDAY ONLY.

\$20 Coats. 33 1-3% Discount, **\$13.34**
\$25 Coats. 33 1-3% Discount, **\$16.67**
\$30 Coats. 33 1-3% Discount, **\$20.00**
\$35 Coats. 33 1-3% Discount, **\$23.00**

The above discount applies to coats at \$20 and above only.

Mackinaws

Warm, heavy, all wool mackinaws. The better grade only. Surprisingly smart and serviceable, just as you always expect to find them at Macartney's.

\$10.00 Mackinaws \$8.50
\$12.00 Mackinaws \$9.60
\$13.50 Mackinaws \$10.80
\$15.00 Mackinaws \$12.00
\$16.50 Mackinaws \$13.20

MANY USEFUL GIFTS FOR BOYS MAY BE FOUND IN OUR BOYS' DEPARTMENT

Boys' Marathon Belts

Washable, plain slip-easy buckle, very durable.... **98c**

Marathon Washable Belt, with initial slip-easy buckle, **\$1.25** at

Other Belts in black, tan and gray, at **39c, 48c, 98c**

Rubber Coats

Black Rubber Coat, white lined; \$6.00 value... **\$4.50**

Black Rubber Coat; tan lined; \$7.50 value... **\$6.00**

Flannel Blouses

Gray and Khaki, warm and durable, **\$1.25 and \$1.48**

Teddy Suits

Brown, gray, tan, pea-cock, blue; \$15 value, **\$10.98**

Bath Robes

Blue, tan and brown. Made of heavy blanket; values were \$2.98 and \$3.98.... **\$2.48 and \$2.98**

Children's Jersey Leggings

Blue, black, brown, gray, priced **\$1.48**

Dr. Denton's Children's Sleeping Garments

Made from specially prepared wool, with feet **\$1.39**

OUR CHILDREN'S BARBER SHOP WILL BE CLOSED FROM DECEMBER 27th TO JANUARY 7th. GET THE KIDDIES' HAIR CUT NOW

RIGHT GOODS

MACARTNEY'S

BOYS' DEPARTMENT

FAIR PRICES

"HATS ON" IN ELEVATORS

Cincinnati Building Owners Declare Removal of Hats Is Menace to Passengers

CINCINNATI, O., Dec. 22.—"Hats on" in elevators, even though there may be women passengers, is the slogan of the Cincinnati Building Owners and Managers' association, which has started a crusade to that end. Whether they will win their contention that the removal of hats in crowded elevators is a menace to passengers in the immediate vicinity of those who take off their headgear remains to be seen for many prominent Cincinnati women are opposed to the abolition of this old-fashioned courtesy. "The habit," said Captain W. M. McIntyre, president of the association, "was introduced by southern people traveling in the north. Originally, I understand, negroes were required to remove their hats on entering elevators and in time white men followed the example when women were on the lift. On the same principle, why do not men take off their hats when traveling in a street car which also contains women passengers?"

And Captain McIntyre got the following answers from women: "I do not see any reason to discard this courtesy. Courtesy is not a gift. It is merely an exemplification of what a man is. Women never will endeavor to decide this problem for the men."

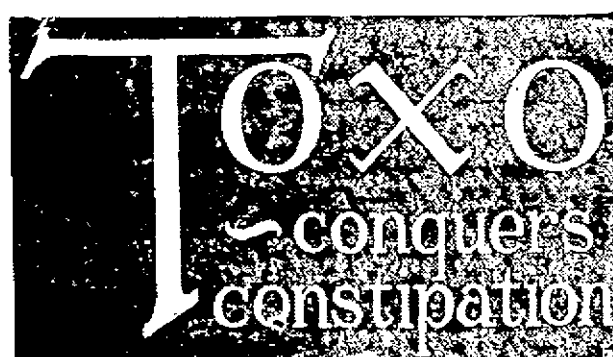
Mrs. Kennon Dunham, president of the Cincinnati Women's Club.

"Just because women have been enfranchised is not a sufficient reason to effect the innate courtesy of men which a true gentleman will show toward a woman."

Mrs. Fenton Lawson, president of Women's City club.

"I do not see why now that women have been given equal voting right with men that any established custom should be effected."

ton, representative of first district of Ohio, League of Women Voters. "I do not believe that men are going to lose their chivalry and experience during the recent campaign convinced me that the men are not going to lose it. The question depends upon the woman to a great extent. If she is the sort of woman men respect she will hold this respect no matter what field of business or political activity she may enter," Mrs. Florence Goff Schwarz, member of Hamilton county republican executive committee.



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Safe Milk for INFANTS & INVALIDS



For Infants, Invalids and Growing Children. The Original Food-Drink For All Ages. Rich with Malted Grain Extract in Powder. No Cooking—Nourishing—Digestible.

First General Snow Storm in West

ST. PAUL, Minn., Dec. 22.—Sharp drops in temperature have followed close upon the first general snow storm of the season in the north-west. From two to 10 inches of snow had fallen in Minnesota, North and South Dakota today. Trains coming into the Twin Cities from the Pacific coast were from two to eight hours late.

Alfred Ringling Left \$1,056,543

BABABOO, Wis., Dec. 22.—The will of Alfred T. Ringling, filed for probate here today, shows the estate to be valued at \$1,056,543. The bulk of the estate goes to the widow and a son, Richard T. Ringling, who also is bequeathed a one-fourth interest in the copartnership of the Ringling Brothers Shows.

Taft to Confer With Harding

MARION, O., Dec. 22.—The engagement book of President-elect Harding was blank today, and it was said at his headquarters here that no callers were expected. William Howard Taft is expected to confer with Mr. Harding before Christmas, but the day of his arrival has not been announced.

AMUSEMENT NOTES

By Theatres' Own Press Agents.
MERRIMACK SQUARE THEATRE
Final performance of "The Testing Block," the big William S. Hart feature now playing at the Merrimack Square theatre, will be given this evening. Thus affording patrons their final opportunity to see the noted western star in one of his most stirring roles. Tomorrow the usual mid-week change of program will take place.
Louise Clavin in "The Leopard"

Woman" will be the outstanding feature for the latter half of the week. Never has the capable star had a better opportunity to display her dramatic force for which she has such a chance to display the gown creations which have made her name a byword in screen fashions.
"The Leopard Woman" tells the story of the adventures in trackless Africa of John Culbertson, scientist-explorer, and a strange, beautiful woman, known to him only as madame, who puts herself in his way to hinder him in the execution of an important mission for his government.
Culbertson is stricken blind by the sun as he crosses the desert. His attempt to regain his sight by means of a drug which only the beautiful Leopard Woman is able to distinguish from one that will blind him permanently, forms a dramatic episode of the story. Eventually he defeats her, but not until the Leopard Woman, his sworn enemy, has given him her heart.
The other big feature for the week-end will be "Children Not Wanted," a photoplay in which Edith Day, star of the big musical comedy success "Irene," is featured. The picture is described as a mystery drama of New York life, featuring a sensational murder and dealing incidentally with the fact that in many dwelling places in New York children are not wanted. A Shorty Hines "Torchy" story, the International News and a Burton Holmes travel picture will round out the bill.

CUNARD ANCHOR

ANCHOR-DONALDSON
New York to Cherbourg.
Southampton
IMPERATOR, Dec. 23, Jan. 20, Feb. 17
AQUITANIA, Jan. 25, Feb. 22, Mar. 22
New York to Liverpool
CARMANIA, Dec. 26, Jan. 22, Feb. 19
VAUBAN, Jan. 2, Feb. 19, Mar. 16
K. Victoria, Jan. 15, Feb. 10
SCYTHIA (New), March 5, April 2
New York to Londonderry and Glasgow
COLUMBIA, Jan. 15, Feb. 19, Mar. 26
CAMERONA (New), Mar. 5, April 6
New York to Plymouth, Cherbourg, Hamburg
SAXONIA, Jan. 18, Mar. 1, Apr. 12
New York to Plymouth, Cherbourg, London
ALBANIA (New), Feb. 1, Mar. 15

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Is usually a well dressed man, and the assortment of SHIRTS in our shirt department will help dress up any man. Prices have been reduced to a very attractive figure—

\$2.00 Dress Shirts..... \$1.50
\$2.50 Dress Shirts..... \$2.15
\$3.00 Dress Shirts..... \$2.65
\$5.00 Dress Shirts..... \$4.50
\$10.00 Silk Shirts..... \$6.50

Hosiery, Garters and Armlets, too

Fraser's
MEN'S WEAR
65-68-90 MIDDLESEX ST.

THE STRAND

"The Fatal House," Cecil Raleigh's startling melodrama, enacted by an all-star cast, recognized as one of the more worthy Drury Lane productions, will be shown for the last time today, in connection with the big triple-feature program at The Strand. If you haven't seen this superb bill, don't lose the last chance today. Gladys Walton in "Pink Tights" and Larry Semon in his latest, "The Suitors," are the other features. This afternoon or tonight offers the last opportunity.

For the last three days of the present week, commencing with matinee on Thursday the bill will include Blanche Sweet in "The Girl in the Web" and Harry Carey in one of his best western thrillers, "Sundown Sings" to star nothing of the usual comedy and weekly.
"The Girl in the Web" is a knotty mystery story that affords Miss Sweet exceptional opportunity to display her ability as a screen artist. She plays the role of a social secretary and is accused of stealing jewels. The mysterious disappearance of the property baffles the detectives, but the secretary finally takes a hand in solving the mystery and her methods develop

some startling and interesting phases. Miss Sweet received the support of an unusually strong cast.

"Sundown Sings" is a regular, vigorous, he-man story of the west, with Harry Carey in one of his most interesting roles. His adventures are many and varied and mixed with them is some good humor and a romance that is delightful. The comedy will be one of those entertaining mixtures of funny stunts and characterizations, while the variety will contain many glimpses on current events of the past week. Don't miss it.

OPERA HOUSE

Itch humor is provided in plenty by Miss Florence Hill and Charles E. Barton this week in the presentation of Mabel S. Keighley's domestic drama, "The Broken Butterfly" by the Lowell Players at the Opera House. Miss Hill and Mr. Barton portray the role of a young couple who are "conditionally engaged" and like true love they run true to form by agreeing to disagree on an average of about twice every five minutes. And besides the pair is heard in a song number that is "put over" particularly well. Both sing fairly good and seem to have the "professional faculty" and care-free attitude characteristic of those who specialize in musical numbers. Miss Fields, besides giving a demonstration of dramatic skill, also contributes a most enjoyable song number.

B. F. KELTIE

Anna Chandler, the singing comedienne who is topping the bill at the B. F. Keltie theatre, this week, has the vital knack of putting her songs right up to those who sit before her. Her art is unmistakable. There are no loose ends to it. She is no great vocalist, but she is a consummate actress. Sidney Lundberg assists her much in her work. Harry Holman & Co. in "Hard Boiled Hampton" do some sidesplitting work. It is a joyful comedy, put forward in the very best fashion. As dancers Baraban and Cron excel. Closing the bill they show some most picturesque work. Among the other acts on the week's bill are: Jimmy Fallon and Marjorie Shirley, a comedy stunt; the Rocellas, musicians; Melton & Bonn, dancing comedians; and the Frabellies, stepsters on the wire.

BIASIO THEATRE

Katherine MacDonald's latest feature production "Certain" is making its last appearance at the Biasio theatre today and everybody who has not seen it already should endeavor to do so if possible. It is the life story of an actress who married after a whirlwind courtship and who found that her husband was not true to his sworn ideals. She returns to the stage and finds happiness in a way that forms an appealing and interesting screen story. The other pictures on the same program will be "Tom Moore in 'The Cakewalk Singer,'" "Episode 5 of 'Bride 13'" and the Fox News.

FORDHAM HOCKEY SCHEDULE

NEW YORK, Dec. 22.—Harvard, Princeton, Pennsylvania and Hamilton are on the Fordham college hockey schedule announced today. Games are pending with Yale and Boston college.

Columbia university has organized a hockey team and is negotiating contracts with Princeton, Williams, Amherst and other colleges.

19 EGGS A DAY FROM 23 HENS, IN WINTER

Mr. Duni's Hens Increased Every Day. Plan Is Easily Tried.

"We have 23 chickens and hadn't had an egg all winter. In two days after feeding Don Sung, we got 4 to 5 eggs a day; in three weeks, we were getting 10 to 12 a day; in five weeks we got 15 eggs a day."—John Duni, Box 102, Cherry Valley, Pa.
Mr. Duni started giving Don Sung in January, in zero weather. He kept his hens busy in winter when hens usually loaf. A trial costs nothing.

Here's our offer: Give your hens Don Sung and watch results for one month. If you don't find that it pays for itself and pays you a good profit besides, simply tell us and your money will be cheerfully refunded.
Don Sung (Chinese egg-laying) is a scientific tonic and conditioner. It is easily given in the feed. Improves the hen's health and makes her stronger and more active. It tones up the egg-laying organs, and gets the eggs, no matter how cold or wet the weather.
Don Sung can be obtained promptly from your druggist or poultry remedy dealer, or send \$1.00 (includes war tax) for a package by mail prepaid. Burdell Dinger Co., 214 Columbia Bldg., Indianapolis, Ind.

**TWO MORE SHOPPING DAYS BEFORE CHRISTMAS**

Our store never before seemed so admirably adapted to crowds. Wide aisles, good ventilation, plenty of light and safety everywhere. Elevators are not so crowded this year as customers find it convenient to walk up one short flight to Toyland. Remember we are open every evening until Christmas.

GIFTS FOR WOMEN

Ivory
Leather Goods
Perfume
Toilet Articles
Handkerchiefs
Neckwear

Furs
Hand Made Blouses
Undermuslins
Silk Underwear
Shopping Baskets
Brassieres
Slippers

Hosiery
Gloves
Ribbon Bags
Bath Robes
Boudoir Caps
Victrola
Victrola Records

Gifts for Boys

All sorts of building toys that make boys use their heads as well as hands; electrical toys, too. The right toys of educational value. Our stocks include gifts for all ages.

Gilbert Toys
Mechanical Toys
Mechanical Trains
Electric Trains
Hill Climbing Toys.
Sleds
Skis
Kiddie Cars
Velocipedes
Snow Shovels
Shoo Flys
Rocking Horses
Automobiles
Wagons
Saw-Saws
Tool Chests

Gifts for Girls

Gifts that will bring little squeals of delight are here in numbers, simply waiting to be selected and carried home to repose in the gift closet until the day of days.

Doll Couch Hammocks
Doll Furniture Sets
Wardrobe Trunks
Doll Beds
Tea Sets
Coffee Sets
Washing Sets
Pianos
Piano Stools
Trunks
Dolls of All Kinds
Rocking Chairs
Sleds
Sewing Sets

**CHRISTMAS GIFTS FOR THE HOME**

Smoking Stands\$2.50 to \$12.98
Tabourettes\$1.19 to \$7.50
Pedestals\$4.98 to \$12.50
Reed Chairs and Rockers\$14.50 to \$35.00
Silk Floss Mattresses\$18.50
Pillows\$2.25 to \$9.50 Pair
Fancy Chairs and Rockers\$25.00 to \$85.00
Mission Chairs\$8.98 to \$32.50
"Free" Sewing Machines\$97.50 to \$125.00
Oakland Sewing Machines.....\$37.50 to \$47.50
Aeroplane Washing Machines\$185.00
Ohio Vacuum Cleaners\$50.00

CHRISTMAS GIFTS FOR THE MEN FOLKS

Bath Robes\$6.50 to \$29.95
Woolen Scarfs\$2.85
Silk Scarfs and Mufflers\$3.00 to \$9.60
Silk Shirts\$5.50 to \$9.00
Cotton Shirts\$1.15 to \$4.98
Box of Arrow Collars\$1.50
Dress Gloves\$1.25 to \$8.50
Sweaters\$5.00 to \$13.50
House Coats\$13.00 to \$18.50
Handkerchiefs25c to \$1.50
Men's Shaving Mirrors\$2.98 to \$11.50
Silk Hosiery\$1.00 to \$3.00

A MERCHANDISE BOND is a boon to the person who cannot decide—it allows the recipient his or her own choice. Redeemable after Christmas. Purchase a Bond for any amount today at our Information Desk.

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ESTABLISHED 1875
THE STORE OF ABSOLUTE SATISFACTION

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Every piece made in our own factories from the finest and most wholesome ingredients. Prices quoted are for the one pound boxes.
Liggett's "The Chocolate with the Wonderful Center"—Orange and Gold Package\$1.25
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Liggett's Sentiment Package1.65
Liggett's Elect Chocolates1.50
Guth Assorted Chocolates1.50
Billie Burke Chocolates1.00
Maxine Chocolate Covered Cherries89
Marion Assorted Chocolates79
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For Home Consumption

Our "Homestead" Assortment of chocolates in bulk, fresh from our factories, is constantly gaining in favor. Among them you will find
Peppermint Patties Honey Nuttallines
Molasses Chips Cocoa Walnuts
Bitter Sweets Coconut Patties
Ice Cream Drops Nut Caramels
and many of your other favorites at
69c per pound

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Liggett's Special Perfectos, regularly 150—5 day Holiday Sale, Thursday, Friday and Saturdaybox of 25 1.59
Major Londonersbox of 25 1.10
Major Perfectosbox of 25 1.00
A very large assortment of domestic and imported cigars. Some in packages of 10, others in boxes of 25 and 50. 1.10 to 15.00

Selected Pipes

\$7.50 Corona Pipes, Holiday special 90c
Italian Briar Pipes, wedding silver mounted1.25
CIGARETTE HOLDERS
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Smoking Tobacco

All the popular brands in half and one pound jars or tins, such as:
PRINCE ALBERT
TUXEDO
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VELVET
BROWN BEAR
BLACK & WHITE
60c to \$1.70

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All of the popular brands in Holiday packaging of 50 and 100 at cut prices.

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KEEPING ONE'S HEAD

Confidence—in each other, in our institutions, in the essential soundness of business conditions—is necessary just now if the craft of the common weal is to be safely steered through the sea of readjustment problems.

It is at such a time as the present, when we are reaping some of the fruits of the tremendous upheaval of conditions that always come with war, that men and women need to keep their heads and their emotions well under control.

Almost every day now can bring forth a new set of senseless rumors regarding this or that thing that is bound to happen, or about to happen, in the industrial world. Lowell is not differentiated from other communities in this respect. Where most of the absurd stories, that find their way into almost every home and place of business, originate is an unsolvable mystery. Now, within the space of a few hours, they acquire such widespread circulation, is equally puzzling.

That there is not even the slightest foundation for these rumors regarding the instability of business conditions and the prospect of the failure of this or that concern does not hinder the possibilities of infinite harm being done by those who listen to and pass along the unfounded tales.

"Man," says Professor James, "as a part of society believes what is suggested to him." Psychologists, of late years, have come to understand quite clearly the tremendous power that lies ready for unleashing in constant and oft-repeated suggestion. Something of the psychology of mob action is also understood.

It is one of the almost inevitable results of the constant suggestion contained in rumors of business and industrial disaster that the seeds of real trouble are sown. The rumors may not be of serious importance in themselves. They prepare the way, however, for such a state of the public mind that a very small push may lead us where we do not want to be, and there is no need of our landing if we will exercise a little common-sense.

No strong reprobation cannot be given to the man or woman who repeats as a choice morsel of news. "Have you heard that this or that concern is about to fail?" or "Did you know that business was so dull that all of the retail stores of Lowell are to close three days a week?" It would be well if something pretty strong in the way of punishment could be meted out to the circulators of such yarns that tend, without cause, to destroy public confidence.

It is stating the truth in plain unequivocal terms to say that, in the opinion of persons who are in a position to know what they are talking about and whose word cannot be doubted, that the leading financial, industrial and business houses have probably never been on a more solid foundation. This is particularly true insofar as Lowell is concerned. Present conditions have not developed in a night. They have been foreseen and prepared for by wise business and industrial leaders many months in advance.

The best thing that we can do is to laugh at the fool-rumor monger and refuse absolutely to be influenced by him or included in his class.

WHAT EUROPE EXPECTS OF US

Still the European nations are clinging to the hope that the United States will ultimately join the League of Nations and cancel her loans of \$10,000,000,000 to Europe and have the European nations do the same so that all might thus get rid of the greater part of their indebtedness by having each blot out her claims against sister nations.

France would come out ahead in any such deal by about five billions of dollars as her borrowings exceeded her loans by that amount. Italy would gain nearly as much, while England would come out even.

This would shift the burden of the war from European to American shoulders; but it has found no favor in the United States, although, according to M. Tardieu, the French high commissioner in the United States during the war, it originated with no less a personage than President Wilson. Possibly it was one of the philanthropic schemes evolved at the peace conference.

Another proposition was the pooling of all the costs of the war and their apportionment among the nations according to the national resources. This also was a scheme intended to unload the bulk of the war burden upon the United States. But the future of the United States to ratify the treaty and to join the League of Nations has prevented either scheme from being put up to the United States for acceptance except indirectly.

Another incident by which Europe hoped to have the United States come to its aid was by the pooling of the economic resources of the members of the league so that the nations having little or no raw material might be privileged to draw upon those having an abundant supply. Former Premier Tittoni of Italy actually made this proposition at Geneva, but it was met by a strong declaration by a representative of Canada to the effect that such a step would prevent the United States from entering the league and would cause Canada to withdraw.

It is strange that apparently the delegates to the Paris peace congress had the idea that one or other of these propositions would be readily accepted by the United States in order to rehabilitate Europe. It was also understood, it seems, that German bonds could be used by the allies in the purchase of supplies in the United States. Thus it may be imagined that a disappointment it was to the League of Nations to find that the United States, from which Europe expected so much, kept aloof. Possibly they will have time to realize that the United States is not going to cancel its loans, nor to pool the war debts or the national resources nor accept German bonds instead of gold for whatever we have to sell to Europe. At present our taxes are very high, unemployment is common and apparently the people of the United States have come to realize that the imperial and supreme brand of autocracy which they entered the war to destroy is now being practised by the allies to an extent fully as menacing to world peace and the freedom of small nations as was the attitude of Germany when her motto was "Deutschland Uber Alles."

PLUNKETT'S STATEMENT

Sir Horace Plunkett, who has arrived in this country, makes the statement that the British people do not know what is going on in Ireland for the reason that the London press with the exception of the Manchester Guardian, does not dare to publish the facts. He states that the people of the United States and France are much better informed as to the warfare in Ireland than are the English. That is something new for the British press with its boasted freedom. It appears that the war restrictions upon the freedom of the press, are still in force in England. The New York World correspondent made the statement that when the city of Cork was burned and Mr. Magner and a civilian shot down without the semblance of cause, the London papers had a mere mention of the conflagration without indicating its real nature or giving any details. That occurrence together with the murders reflected upon the government and at the present time the publication of such news, is condemned as unpatriotic by the Lloyd George regime.

The government is evidently afraid to let the facts be known to the British public lest public sentiment would be aroused to such an extent as to sweep the ministry from power. Sir Horace has been in favor of dominion home rule as a means of settling the Irish question, but he states that the present bill which pleases but one-fifth of the people will never be accepted and that it is useless to attempt to put it in force, all of which is patent to everybody who is conversant with the situation.

BUSINESS OUTLOOK IMPROVING

There is no just ground for assuming that business will remain dull for any great length of time after Christmas. Already two local mills that had been idle for weeks have started on full time and one of the great steel companies with headquarters in Illinois is going back to the ten and twelve hour day. The action of the textile workers in accepting the cut-down under protest pending future developments will help to get the machinery moving once more. Any warfare between the mills and the operatives at the present time would only serve to delay the stabilization of values and conditions necessary to a resumption of active work with full force by all the mills. Indications from trade centres all over the country are quite encouraging as pointing to rapid business revival after the new year.

It may be true that "Truth is forever on the scaffold; wrong forever on the throne," but when President Goodell, of the chamber of commerce, wielded the sledge hammer of facts to demolish the senseless rumors of threatened business troubles, the two old rivals, for a while at least, exchange places.

A professor of hygiene has found that 35 per cent of a bunch of Harvard men that he recently examined knew how to properly use their feet. This confirms a current opinion based on recent happenings on the football gridiron.

It seems to have been a piece of good fortune for the Puritan Fathers that they lived three hundred years ago and thus escaped reading some of the things our editorial neighbor across the way has had to say about them.

It is an editorial paragraph of more than Spartan firmness who now resists the temptation to stir in something about the possibilities of a "Green Christmas" and "full churchyard."

Old Plymouth rock has been split in moving it to a new resting place, but the fact of which it is one of the foundation stones continues as firm and unshaken as the age-defying granite of which the pyramids are built.

The park department in starting to cut out the dead wood of the trees, is setting an example that might profitably be followed in the offices of other departments of the city government.

Worcester, sending some of its representatives here to learn about the methods of the health department, might in return ship us a leaf from its experience that would tell us how to set a new railroad station.

If it wasn't that it would make nearly all the rest of us so uncomfortable, it might not be so bad to let the lettuce-bunches put over for a little while their lies Sunday laws.

It is one of the incongruities of life that, after you have spent your last blessed dollar for presents, someone comes along and gives you a pocket-book for Christmas.

Senator Taft seems to be having as much trouble in coming out a cabinet as he did in sticking to the same opinion two days in succession during the campaign.

Even the fire bells seem to have got tangled up in the days of the "Prandley of Old Tanglefoot" in Lowell.

Crime waves are sweeping highest where booze has been flowing freest.

SEEN AND HEARD

Kipling is to write movie scenarios, but probably he'll have no rag, bone and hank of hair heroines.

Harding has been elected a life member of the typographical union and is obliged to help set the Congressional record who there's a dull day at the White House.

At Tower's Corner

Woe Laddie: "Oh, ma, see the big policeman; isn't he funny?"
Mother: "Funny? How, Johnny?"
Woe Laddie: "Why, ma, he's got his suspenders on outside his overcoat."

To Strike a Spark

Knapp—Your friend Banks died with me last night. What a dull dog he is.
Knox—Oh, that depends on what company he's in.—Yonkers Statesman.

Dangerous Height

Baby's mother—What do you think of the new nursemaid, George? Baby's Father—She looks capable, my dear; but she is so terribly tall. I think what a distance poor baby will have to fall when she drops him!—Answers.

A Queer Title

One rainy afternoon Aunt Lillian was explaining the meaning of various words to her young nephew. "Now, an helloom, my dear, means something that has been handed down from father to son," she said. "Well," replied the boy, thoughtfully, "that's a queer name for my pants."—Harper's.

Needless Worry

The census bureau is fretting about the cook statistics. There are, according to the 1920 census, but 333,436 female cooks in the United States. Some-thing like one cook for every 300 persons. The bureau is worrying about the matter. Indeed, so impressed was one census pessimist that he quotes: "We may live without poetry, music and art; we may live without conscience and live without heart; we may live without friends; we may live without books; but civilized man cannot live without cooks." Of course, he cannot live without cooks! Why should he? But there is no need for such a feeling. What if the employment offices have a dearth of cooks? One may always get a good cook by the matrimonial route. The census bureau is all wrong. Instead of there being 333,436 female cooks in this country, there are several million, usually one in every home.

What Have We Done Today?

We shall do so much in the years to come.
But what have we done today?
We shall give our gold in a princely sum.
But what did we give today?
We shall lift the heart and dry the tear.
We shall plant a hope in the place of fear.
We shall speak the words of love and cheer.
But what did we speak today?

We shall be so kind in the after while.
But what have we done today?
We shall bring each lonely life a smile.
But what have we brought today?
We shall give to truth its grander birth
And to steadfast faith a deeper worth.
We shall feed the hungry spouts of earth.
But what have we fed today?

We shall reap such joy in the by and by.
But what have we sown today?
We shall build us mansions in the sky.
But what have we built today?
The answer is: I dare not ask.
But here and now do we do the task?
Yes, this is the thing our souls must ask—
"What have we done today?"
Yarmouth, N. S., Times.

MAN ABOUT TOWN

It has been with a little more than the usual sadness of farewell that some of us in weeks that have lately passed have said good-bye to friends who have departed for the places of sunshine and blue skies in the south. We have been inclined to feel a bit of sorrow for ourselves that we could not go with them. We have felt like asking, "Why did our ancestors settle on this bleak New England coast when they might have followed the pathway cut out across the sea by Ponce de Leon in his search for the fountain of perpetual youth in Florida?" If we look at both sides of the shield, however, we shall find probably that if both sides are not gold, the hidden side is silver. While we are kicking because we have to shovel coal into our furnaces and dread to get out of bed in the morning because it is so cold, we may reflect that there are compensations connected with living in frigid old New England. If we choose to recognize them. Switzerland used to be the playground of Europe in the summer time. Now it is the recreation field for the people of many countries all the year around. Its snow-filled mountain valleys and bleak hillsides have been made the scenes of many sorts of winter pleasures. Here at home we are beginning to realize and make use of the possibilities for enjoyment of the New England winter. For a number of years little groups of lovers of Nature in her colder moods have gathered at Woodstock, Vt., and in Dixville Notch, in New Hampshire, for enjoyment of life out of doors when such sports of skating, sleighing, skiing and coasting beckon with irresistible invitation. The middle of next month Newport, N. H., is to try the experiment of having a three days' winter carnival. There will be fun galore, including a deer drive ending with a game dinner in the Corbin game park.

Bonded Scotch whisky at \$3 per quart, good, old-fashioned ale at 20 cents per bottle and all you want of each, providing you have the price! No, this isn't the dream of an anti-prohibitionist, but an actual fact. The only difficulty is that you will have to go to Bermuda to realize it. I was taking the other day to a Lowell man who has just returned from a brief vacation spent in that delightful section, and it is he who tells the story. He says that there is no water system in Bermuda and that the inhabitants depend on ordinary rain water. But what's a little thing like a water system with other liquids flowing so freely? However, sugar is a bit more expensive down there than here in Lowell. It is now selling at 15 cents a pound, which is understood to be the price being paid here. But evidently it has had little effect on the price of drinks or else they were abnormally low before the price of sugar increased. Truly, to many this may be an example of the adage, that distant hills seem fairer than home pastures.

SLOWING UP IN WINTER

Lack of outdoor exercise, and heavy coats in winter do not help matters. The bowlers should not be charged with undisciplined, disorderly conduct. Foley's Catapult Tablets clear the bowels without cramping or nausea, banish biliousness and headaches, flatulence, gas, bad breath, and soothe the stomach. Ammonia Free. Prepared by Foley & Co., Lowell, Mass. Write: "I recommend Foley's Catapult Tablets." I feel like a new man every day. My bowels were constipated. F. J. G. Dr. Co., 321 Central St., Lowell.

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HOLY NAME CLUB CHRISTMAS TREE

A largely attended meeting of the Holy Name Social Club of the Sacred Heart parish was held at its rooms on Sunday, Douglas Smith, president, reports from various committees relative to the program of the club's activities for the coming months. The members of the bowling team were congratulated upon the excellent record they are giving of themselves in the various contests as members of the Catholic bowling league. Weekly rehearsals are being held for the annual minstrel show which promises to be the greatest success ever. Many new soloists will be introduced on this occasion, and the end-men promise to give "something new and entirely different" in the repertoire line. The affair is scheduled to take place before Lent, and the young people of the parish are using their very best efforts to promote its success.

An interesting entertainment has been arranged for Christmas afternoon to which all the men of the parish—young and old—are cordially invited. As is customary at the club a large Christmas tree laden with gifts for everybody will be one of the big features of the occasion. It will be the duty of the club's Santa Claus to see to it that everybody present is remembered, and many pleasant surprises will doubtless lend enjoyment to the spirit of the occasion. A very important meeting will be held at the rooms on next Sunday morning, when the officers who are to preside over the destinies of the club for the ensuing year will be chosen. As many spirited contests are to be decided, a full attendance of the membership is expected.

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PRINCE BECOMES BUCK PRIVATE

Prince Leopold, eldest son of King Albert of Belgium and heir to the Belgian throne, is now a buck private in a military school in Brussels. His royal papa decided a little strict discipline would better fit the boy to rule some day than the luxurious life in the royal palace. He is seen here, looking very serious, at inspection.

RADIO CLUB ACTIVITIES

Relays Messages and Catches

Those That Nightly Fill the Air

The Lowell Radio club, which has just completed the fourth year of its activities, is one of the strongest and best known of the several hundred radio organizations in the United States. This city now has nearly 42 home wireless stations in addition to the equipment owned by the club itself and operated in the club rooms. In fact, the club apparatus has proved one of the main attractions to the members as well as to many visitors. The members now spend their spare time reading the heavy traffic of the air and nearly every evening the listeners are treated to a concert of music played on shipboard far out at sea. Several local radio stations are also taking an active part in the relay work of the national organizations of the wireless men, the American Radio Relay League. With this organization messages are relayed from one state to another to their destination. Lowell relays messages from Boston northward and to Canada and also messages coming from New York city and Albany through Worcester for Portland and other points in Maine. The practical value of an organization of this kind can easily be visualized if one will consider an emergency in which a great storm might destroy land wires and cut off Lowell from all communication with the outside world. As a matter of fact, Lowell was so isolated by a fierce storm some twenty years ago. The amateurs of Lowell

have equipment capable of handling all messages that would be necessary in an emergency of that kind, thereby providing a form of insurance to the public which costs nothing and is always ready to call. This is one of the many reasons why the radio amateur should be encouraged and allowed to continue his experiments without working under unreasonable restrictions.

CRISIS IN VIENNA

Aid From Germany, Switzerland and U. S. Bring Relief

VIENNA, Dec. 22.—But for the arrival of 900 tons of flour, lent by Germany and Switzerland, Vienna would have been breadless this week. As it was the government was forced to requisition 140 tons of breadstuffs accumulated by the war kitchens during the summer, in order to tide over the crisis.

A considerable consignment of grain secured in Yugoslavia and Rumania is tied up at various points down the Danube because of very low water throughout the autumn and early lee. Efforts are being made to transship by rail but the car and locomotive shortage of all the countries involved, as well as the lack of steam coal delays its arrival.

But for American charity the city authorities concede that Vienna's plight, had as it is, would have been infinitely worse this winter. The burgomaster, Dr. Neumann, in appreciation of the extensive American relief being afforded by various organizations has asked the Associated Press to convey to the American people the following Christmas message:

"The distress in which the Vienna population is living in consequence of the dreadful war, has highly impressed the American people.

"In Vienna children are starving and perishing from malnutrition, the sick cannot be attended in the hospitals for want of medicines, surgical instruments, dressing-stuffs and other remedies of all kinds; and the mortality is rapidly increasing among the weak and old. All these facts have called up a noble-minded readiness for help very touching to the population of Vienna.

"The American people have created a number of relief committees for the purpose of collecting gifts to be distributed among the indigent of Vienna and the famishing children. The American government has taken great interest in this relief work and the American Red Cross has brought love-parcels of a high value in Vienna and softened the great misery to a considerable extent.

"We cannot enough admire this splendid assistance that was shown us in such a humane manner; our language has no words fit for interpreting our feelings of heartfelt thankfulness and gratitude.

"As burgomaster of the city of Vienna, I beg to express herewith my profound and sincere thanks to the generous people of the American states for all the marks of sympathy shown the Vienna population and for all relief and assistance-works bestowed upon it.

"I have the honor to send to it the best wishes of the Vienna town council for a merry Christmas, assuring you that the population of Vienna will never forget the humanity and philanthropy of America that has relieved and helped us in this time of need."



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\$10.95 to \$16.95

BIG BOYS' SUITS, sizes 8 to 18. Former Original Prices \$9.50 to \$27.50. Sale Prices

\$5.95 to \$14.95

BOYS' \$2.50 FLEECE LINED EXTRA HEAVY WINTER WEIGHT UNION SUITS, all sizes. Sale Price

95c

BOYS' KNEE PANTS, sizes 8 to 18. Former original prices \$1.50 to \$8.00. Sale Prices

95c to \$2.95

BOYS' \$1.50 HEAVY WINTER CAPS, with ear lapp. Sale Price

85c

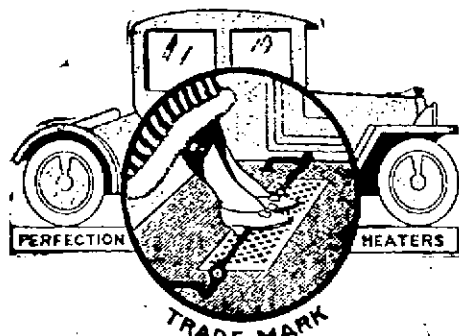
BOYS' ALL WOOL HEAVY PLAID MACKINAWS, some with worsted linings, sizes 8 to 18. Former original price \$12.50. Sale Price

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\$1.65

Men's All Double Stitched Black and Blue Work Shirts—Putnam & Son Co. prices

\$1.50 and \$2.00. Sale price.... 95c

Men's Heavy Flannel Shirts—Khaki and grey, double pockets—Putnam & Son Co. price \$4. Sale price.... \$2.95

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LAME RULE BILL A TRAP

Passage Makes Settlement More Difficult, Says Irish Paper

BERLIN, Dec. 22.—Passage of the lame rule bill by the British parliament is now viewed as especially important by newsmen here. It is recognized that the bill probably will not be accepted by either Ulster or the rest of Ireland, and that the British government may never decide to put its provisions into operation.

"Censorship" has received its reward, says the Freeman's Journal. The bill was designed as a trap, but it failed to work. Even such modified democratic institutions as we possess are threatened by it.

The Irish Independent says there will be no rejoicing in Ireland over the passage of the measure, "which makes a settlement still more difficult."

"Thanks to the house of lords," says the Irish Times, "the bill has ceased to be a measure bringing about absolute and permanent partition of Ireland and the central council, which is established, may become a real link between the north and the south."

NO MORE WORK

For Men in Street or Buildings Departments Unless Nomen Are on Civil Service List

No more men will be put to work in either the street or buildings departments of this city unless their names are on the civil service list as eligible.

This ultimatum was delivered today by Commissioner Dennis A. Murphy and George E. Marchand, respective heads of these departments. In the past, applicants for work have been given temporary employment, especially in the street department, even though their names were not on the list of eligibles. But now the civil service authorities are bringing pressure to bear in an effort to have their regulations strictly enforced and threaten drastic procedure if further violations are noted.

Commissioner Marchand says that his department and that of Commissioner Murphy are receiving the lion's share of applications for work in this present period of unemployment. They have exerted every effort, he says, to meet the demands made upon them but have now reached the limit.

Commissioner Murphy says that his department will allow the employment of no more men. There is little work to do at this season of the year and even less money to do it on, he says.

SORE THROAT EPIDEMIC

There's an epidemic of sore throats in Lowell at the present time, according to Agent Francis J. O'Hare of the local health department. He says that reports to the office of the health department show that many people are suffering from throat infection and while there has been an increase in the number of diphtheria or scarlet fever cases, the authorities urge all who have the slightest indication of a sore throat to consult a doctor at once so that if there is any disease incipient, it may be checked at once.

What better Christmas gift to the kiddie than a bank book to The Lowell Five Cent Savings Bank?

REGARD UNEMPLOYMENT

AS GREATEST PROBLEM

LONDON, Dec. 22.—Anxiety is felt by the British people over conditions of unemployment and in some quarters the opinion is held that the crisis is more serious than any of its predecessors.

CHRISTMAS IN THE ORPHANAGES

A turkey dinner with all the fixings will be the feature of the observance of Christmas day at St. Peter's orphanage in Stevens street. The annual Christmas tree exercises at the home were held last Sunday, at which time gifts were distributed and the boys and girls were entertained with a special musical program.

Saturday morning the children will attend mass at St. Margaret's church and at noon they will partake of a bountiful dinner. In the afternoon there will be an informal program in which all of the children will take part.

French-American Orphanage

Christmas tree exercises at the French-American orphanage in Pawtucket street will be conducted tomorrow afternoon at 2 o'clock in the assembly hall of the home. The affair, as in previous years will be given under the auspices of Mrs. George E. Calise, while the entertainment will be under the direction of the sisters in charge of the orphanage. On Christmas day a special dinner will be provided for the boys and girls and in the afternoon open house will be kept for visitors.

Ayer Home

The children of the Ayer home will be kept busy Christmas day. In the morning there will be an entertainment consisting of musical and literary numbers and a feature of the program will be the presentation of a playlet, entitled "Queen Christmas."

This will be followed by the stripping of a large Christmas tree. At 1:30 o'clock a turkey dinner with all the fixings will be served and in the evening the boys and girls of the home will attend the Christmas tree exercises, which will be held at the Pawtucket Congregational church under the auspices of the Sunday school of that church.

Children's Home

Through the generosity of the public of Lowell the children of the Children's home at Bosford square will be provided with a bountiful dinner Christmas day. The menu will consist of stuffed turkey with all the fixings and in addition ice cream, fruit and candy will be distributed to the little ones. In the forenoon there will be a large Christmas tree containing gifts for all the children.

There are at present 75,310 civil employees on the United States payroll.

PROBE CHARGE AGAINST AMERICAN CONSUL

WIRE DESPATCHES

WASHINGTON, Dec. 22.—Charges made by Mrs. Annet E. Robinson of Manchester, England, that American Consul Wells at Manchester attempted to prevent her from coming to this country to testify before the commission of the committee of 100 investigating conditions in Ireland are to be investigated by the state department.

Consul General Skinner at London has been asked for a full report of the circumstances surrounding the case of Mrs. Robinson's passport. In making this statement today, officials remarked that Mr. Wells was a new appointee and that if he had at first refused to give the passport to Mrs. Robinson, he would not have exceeded his authority.

Mrs. Robinson told the commission that Mr. Wells finally had issued her passport after she had visited Mr. Skinner at London, but that he had required of her a promise that she would not engage in "propaganda nor give interviews to the American press."

LENGINGTON AVENUE SCHOOL

The following program of Christmas exercises was carried out recently at the Lexington Avenue school and was enjoyed by a large number of parents and friends of the pupils:

Christmas song, Miss Hart's Room

Greeting, Gladys Swartz

Songs of Christmas, William Barker, Fred Leland, Arthur Leland, Alfred Wagner

Santa's Cake, Chester Leland

Merry Merry Christmas, Alfred Wagner, Mollie Goodwin, Carroll Smith, Gerald Brown, Louise Clark, Elizabeth Hamblett

Santa's Son, Kenneth Dick

Song, Christmas Bells, Muriel Gingras, Irene Gingras, Ruth Edwards, Katina Sampatakos, Beatrice Andrew

Seating Santa, Wendell Butterfield

Christmas Candles, "Service," Violet Belle

"Joy," John Hamblett

"Love," Muriel Gingras

"Faith," Irene Gingras

"Peace," Katina Sampatakos

"Memory," Walter Fall

"Home," Ruth Edwards

Santa's Reindeer, Alexandra Skaperdos, Muriel Gingras, Irene Gingras, Walter Fall, John Hamblett, Beatrice Andrew, Katina Sampatakos

Christmas Stars, Eleanor Lord, Elizabeth Hamblett, Mollie Goodwin, Mary Janas, Alice Hamilton, Carroll Smith, Alfred Wagner, Gerald Brown, John Janas, Howard Edward

Song, "Away in a Manger," Entire School

"Good-night," Clara Bradley

Song, "The Christmas Tree," Entire School

"Holy Night," Assembly

At the close of the program Santa Claus appeared and distributed gifts to the children.

THE LOCAL MILLS

The Massachusetts, the Tremont & Suffolk and the Boott mills will shut down tonight until next Monday morning, while the Appleton will suspend operation Friday night and will not reopen until Jan. 3. The Merrimack mills shut down last Saturday until Jan. 3.

BRIEF BUT IMPORTANT

WIRE DESPATCHES

MEXICO CITY, Dec. 22.—Alberto J. Paul expects to leave for Washington the first week in January to assume the duties of Mexican ambassador to the United States, says the Excelsior.

BOSTON, Dec. 22.—Thomas J. O'Connor of Holyoke has been appointed assistant United States district attorney to take charge of liquor prosecutions in the western part of the state with headquarters at Springfield. The appointment was made by District Attorney Daniel J. Gallagher.

BOSTON, Dec. 22.—The plot for pardon by Dr. Eldridge D. Alwood, who is serving a life sentence for murder, met with adverse action from the pardon committee of the governor's council today.

NEW YORK, Dec. 22.—The cotton market today broke into new low ground for the season. With March selling down to 12.25, under heavy southern and Wall street offerings, based on weak spot markets and unsettled financial conditions.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 22.—A Christmas gift of twelve million tree seeds to be used in reforesting the war devastated areas of France and Belgium, and also certain sections of Great Britain, was shipped to those countries today through their embassies here by the American Forestry association.

VIENNA, Dec. 21.—The price of bread throughout Austria will be raised 33 per cent, beginning January 1. The postage and telegraph rates will be increased a similar amount.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 22.—Holding passenger and excess baggage charges on state traffic in Arkansas to be discriminatory in relation to interstate rates, the Interstate Commerce commission today ordered the Arkansas state commission to increase those charges to level with those in interstate traffic on or before Feb. 13.

RIO JANEIRO, Dec. 31.—Bainbridge Colby, American secretary of state, declared here today he had not come to Brazil to expound any theories, but to return the visit to the United States of President Pessoa. He asserted he had come to convey some expression of American admiration and satisfaction over the remarkable progress Brazil has made.

CHICAGO, Dec. 22.—Demands of the railway brotherhoods that a national board of adjustment handle all railway labor problems instead of the individual company settling its own troubles, as was the custom before the war, will be protested at a convention of manufacturers' merchants, railway executives and shippers to be held here Jan. 12. It was announced today by the national conference of state manufacturers' associations.

MARTINSBURG, W. Va., Dec. 22.—The Intermountain mills, employing 1600 persons, today announced a reduction in wages of 20 per cent.

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AT THE POSTOFFICE

The Christmas rush is started at the postoffice and request was made by Postmaster Meehan this noon that the public mail goods as soon as possible to prevent congestion. The amount of regular mail and parcel post coming through, however, does not compare in amount with that of previous years, which fact is said to be due to employment conditions. There are six clerks at work all hours at the new Middle street sub-station, which handles much of the matter which might cause blocking of service at the main office.

BOSTON BANK CLOSED

BOSTON, Dec. 22.—On the eve of Christmas, depositors of the North End foreign currency bank today found the private banking office of L. D. Griswold on Salem street closed by order of Bank Commissioner Allen. The new commissioner announced that the \$50,000 capital of the Griswold office was "practically gone."



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FOWL, 4 lbs. each—Lb. ... 47¢
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BLUE BANNER CHOCOLATES Lb. ... 65¢	FRESH PORK LOINS Lb. ... 22¢	FANCY RIBBON XMAS CANDY Lb. ... 29¢
LARGE JUICY ORANGES Lb. ... 29¢	HEAVY DARK AND LIGHT FRUIT CAKE Lb. ... 40¢	FRESH WHIPPED CREAM PIES 50¢
HUNTLEY PALMER COOKIES Lb. ... 60¢	HOLIDAY MIXTURE COOKIES Lb. ... 25¢	BOSTON MARKET CRISP CELERY Bunch ... 29¢

LOWELL ENTERTAINERS MAKE SOLDIERS HAPPY

A Christmas tree party and entertainment was given in Odd Fellows hall, Pepperell, last night, for the convalescent soldiers in the Pepperell hospital, under the auspices of the local post of the American Legion and the Ladies' auxiliary. Mr. Carroll represented the auxiliary at the entertainment, while Mr. Hewitt was the representative of the Lowell Legion post. About 40 Lowellites made the trip to Pepperell, leaving this city in four machines about 6:30 o'clock and returning at an early hour this morning. Gifts given to inmates included candy, slippers, smokes and tobacco. Comrade William Bailey of the hospital acted as Santa Claus and distributed the presents. The entertainers were well applauded and thanked for their efforts. Machines to make the trip were loaned by James W. McKenna, Dyer & Phillips, Commissioner Dennis Murphy and Thomas P. Sexton. The program was as follows: Mrs. Charles Young, song; Miss Helen Casey, recitation; Dion sisters, songs; Jack McAdams, comic songs; Edward Donahue, songs; Thomas Chinn, songs. Entertainment from other towns included Mrs. Kate McCormack, pianist, and Mr. Frothingham a fancy dancer. Miss Dorothy Leach was the pianist of the evening. Chemists are working to develop a flashless powder which will make the discharge of artillery non-observable at night.

DOINGS OF THE DUFFS

BY ALLMAN

SAY, TOM, I'M WRITING A LETTER TO MOTHER—HOW DO YOU SPELL, PNEUMONIA?

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WELL, YOU CAN'T EXPECT TO FIND IT IN THE "N'S" HERE IT IS, PNEUMONIA—PLAIN AS DAY!

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MEN'S FANCY SILK STOCKINGS Pretty Patterns, \$1.25 Plain Black Silk, 75c	Children's Sport Hose Not the fancy top— Much newer, \$1.00 Pair	WOMEN'S GLOVE SILK UNDERWEAR Shirts \$2.50 Bloomers \$2.50 Camisoles \$2.25 Blk. Bloomers \$3.50
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STOCKINGS — For — Men, Women, Children

No Pardons for Murderers, Robbers, Etc.

THENTON, N. J., Dec. 22.—Because of the "unusual number of crimes throughout the country" the court of pardons today passed a resolution not to give pardons or parole before expiration of minimum sentences for murder, robbery, burglary and like offenses. Exceptions would be made only where unusual circumstances merit a favorable recommendation. Only 78 prison and eight penitentiary paroles were recommended out of 446 applications.

Many Killed in Serious Labor Riot

LONDON, Dec. 22.—A serious labor riot occurred recently in Petrograd in which many persons were killed or injured, says a Telsingfors despatch to the Central News under yesterday's date. The riot was crushed and 105 laborers were executed, the despatch adds. The trouble started when the soviet authorities refused the demand of the city laborers for more food and shortening of the working day, which is 16 hours.

Failure of N. Y. Brokerage Firm

NEW YORK, Dec. 22.—Failure of the brokerage firm of Foster & Lounsbury was announced from the rostrum of the stock exchange shortly after the opening today. The firm has done business on the exchange for nearly 20 years. Foster & Lounsbury are understood to have been active traders in Vanadium Steel, which was one of the stocks that led in the recent heavy reactions on the market. The failure which was unexpected in financial circles, was regarded as the most important recently.

Navy Balloon Missing Nine Days

ROCKAWAY, N. Y., Dec. 22.—The navy balloon A-5598, which left here nine days ago in a flight was, still missing today and officers at the naval air station were without a word of any character from the three officers on board. While hope has not been abandoned, grave fears are entertained.

Service Resumed on Bridge

Continued

Railway company; Lewis B. Moore, engineer of the public service commission, and other officials.

Work will be continued on the other track and it is expected that both tracks will be available for traffic late in January.

The railway officials have made arrangements for cross-over at either end of the bridge and a set of signals has been installed in Bridge street so that there will be no confusion in the use of the one track available over the bridge.

City Engineer Kearney made the following statement this afternoon relative to the present status of the repairs of the bridge:

"A few weeks ago the city let a contract to repair a portion of Central bridge. This contract took care of the outboard track only, and it called for a replacement of the old wooden stringers by steel I beams. In stripping the wood work preparatory for the steel, a good many of the timbers were found to be in very poor condition, in fact, in many places dangerous. This stripping allowed a free examination of the timbers under the inbound rail, and these were found to be in better condition than those under the outboard rail. At a number of points

under the inbound rail we have temporarily strengthened the bridge so as to satisfy Engineer E. B. Walker, of the Eastern Mass. Street Railway company, who, by the way, has shown a disposition to assist in every manner possible that this inbound rail is safe for traffic. To satisfy the public that this is so, he has run over a work car loaded with rails, of a weight twice heavier than any loaded passenger car. This allows the use of one track while the work is being done on the other, which, at the present rate, will not be finished until late in January."

DISTINGUISHED VISITOR HERE FROM JAPAN

Lowell had a distinguished visitor from Japan in her midst today when J. Noda secretary to the Japanese consulate general in New York, visited the rooms of the chamber of commerce seeking information as to the cotton and woolen industry in this city and other communities of the state. Secretary George F. Wells of the chamber outlined Lowell's activities in this respect and later in the day Mr. Noda went to the Lowell Textile school to garner further information.

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DENOUNCE PRES. WOOD

Lawrence Workers Repudiate

Call for Conference—

Would Oust "Mill Barons"

LAWRENCE, Dec. 22.—The Lawrence central council of the Amalgamated Textile Workers at a meeting last night drafted a letter to President William W. Wood of the American Woolen company, attacking the company's policies. The letter repudiates a request made of Mr. Wood in a letter written on Dec. 15 by A. J. Muste, general secretary of the Amalgamated, that he confer with Amalgamated officials before announcing a wage reduction in the company's mills. Asserting that his request does not represent the attitude of the Lawrence council, the letter said:

"The workers of Lawrence are not deceived by your pretense of waiting for others to cut wages first. We recognize you as the directing mind of the mill barons and hold you responsible for their acts."

The letter says that by running its mills on short time the American Woolen company has cut wages from 25 to 40 per cent., accuses Mr. Wood of inefficiency and adds:

"Any more inefficiency will make it necessary for the workers to relieve you and your class of the control of industry."

After the meeting Ben Legere, secretary of the local council, said that the organization would be represented at a conference of all labor in Essex county to be held at Salem on Dec. 31, January 1 and 2, to which all organized labor had been invited. He said this conference has been called by the Salem chamber of labor to find a way by which all labor could "act together to establish industrial democracy and do away with economic autocracy."

The bodies of about 550 American soldiers, who died in England, are to remain permanently in that country by request of the families of the men.

BOY LOSES LIFE IN BEAVER BROOK

Raymond Mochrie, eight-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Mochrie, of Upland street, Dracut, lost his life yesterday afternoon while attempting to cross the thin ice on Beaver brook near the Merrimack woolen mills in the Navy Yard section of the town. The unfortunate accident was the first thin-ice drowning fatality of the present season. The Mochrie boy and several companions were on their way home from school and attempted to take a short cut by crossing the brook on the thin ice that formed there Monday. He had reached the centre of the brook in safety but here the ice gave way and he fell into the deep channel which runs at this point. His cries and those of his companions failed to summon assistance and his body sank into the water.

A number of similar accidents have occurred at this particular spot and most of them have been fatal, owing to the depth of the channel of the brook. This is the second drowning accident in the Mochrie family. Seventeen years ago, another son, then eight years old, was drowned in the Western canal.

The Mochrie boy is survived by his parents, three sisters, Marion, Margaret and Helen, and two brothers, Robert J. and Harold Mochrie.

As soon as the fate of the youngster became known grappling for the body started under the direction of Undertakers J. F. O'Donnell & Sons, but up to an early hour this afternoon the body had not been recovered.

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None Such MINCE MEAT—Pkg. 15c

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Sweet Juicy ORANGES—Doz. 33c

PROMEDARY DATES—Pkg. 21c

Large Cal. Washington Navel ORANGES—Dozen 45c

MIXED NUTS—Lb. 24c

Soft Shell English WALNUTS—Lb. 29c

Regular 50c Size None Such MINCE PIES—Each 39c

NATIVE PORK—Lb. 20c

ROAST PORK—Lb. 19c

PORK CHOPS—Lb. 25c

Fresh SHOULDERS Lb. 14c

Corn, Peas, Beans, can. 11c

Tomatoes, No. 3 can. 17c

Not-a-Seed Raisins, pkg. 23c

Tomato Soup, can. 8c

Cal. P. Beans, lb. 6c

Onions, 3 lbs. 10c

Cape Cod CRAN-BERRIES—Qt. 15c

Boston Market Celery, bunch, 25c

White Celery, bunch, 15c

Squash, lb. 4c

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CHUCK ROAST—Lb. 16c

BONELESS POT ROAST—Lb. 16c

LEGS LAMB—Lb. 30c

Fancy Brisket or Thick Rib CORNED BEEF—Lb. 18c

ROUND STEAK—Lb. 25c

SMOKED SHOULDER—Lb. 22c

LEGS MILK FED VEAL—Lb. 25c

SLICED HAM—Lb. 40c

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No. 3 Can Spinach, only 11c

Good Luck Pudding, 3 Pkgs. 39c

Red Salmon, can. 27c

Sardines, can. 5c

Holly Rice and Milk, can. 5c

Creamery BUTTER—Lb. 45c

Hooton's Cocoa, only, lb. 15c

Our Special Coffee, lb. 29c

Oolong or Ceylon Teas, 29c

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I Need Thee Every HourTenor and Contralto Duo
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Ring out Wild BellsRoyal Dadman
Silent Night, Holy Night.....Nevada Van Der Veer
O Holy Night.....Charles Harrison

LATEST SONG AND DANCE HITS

Avalon—Fox TrotKismet—Fox Trot
Japanese Sandman—Fox TrotTell Me Little Gypsy—Fox Trot
Hold Me—Fox TrotWhispering—Fox Trot
AvalonSung by Ernest Hare
Soldiers of ErinWalter Scanlon
Down the Trail to Home Sweet HomeWalter Scanlon
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MEN'S BLACK AND BROWN HEAVY SOLE WORK SHOES, Pair \$2.00

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LADIES' INITIAL HANDKERCHIEFS, six in a box, 12½c, 15c, 19c and 25c Each

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THE GENUINE DR. REED'S CUSHION SOLE SHOE, for women. Made from finest surplus kid stock. \$12.00 market value \$8.95

MEN'S DARK BROWN CALF BLUCHERS—Genuine Goodyear Welts. Fine dress shoes, \$3.69

BOYS' DARK BROWN SCHOOL SHOES—Sizes 10 to 13½ \$2.69

LADIES' WHITE OR COLORED EMBROIDERED HANDKERCHIEFS, in fancy boxes, at 50c, 75c, \$1.50 box

LADIES' BLACK SILK HOSE, with seam up the back, fancy box free, 98c Pair

LADIES' BLACK SILK HOSE, with fancy white clock; worth \$3.50, only \$2.59 Pr.

MEN'S BLACK FELT HOUSE SLIPPERS 89c

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FIGHTING IN IRELAND

Battle Between Civilians and Soldiers and Police—Many Casualties

DUBLIN, Dec. 22 (by the Associated Press).—Heavy fighting has taken place between large forces of civilians on one side and soldiers and police on the other, in the section lying between Callan, County Kilkenny, and Glenbowee, County Tipperary. The military and police were ambushed at three different places and numerous casualties resulted on both sides. These included Sgt. Walsh, Royal Irish Constabulary, killed; some soldiers, number unknown, killed; 10 or 15 civilians killed, and Sgt. Shannon and several soldiers wounded. About 30 civilians were wounded or captured.

An official communication issued by the general headquarters last night, estimates the casualties among the attacking forces at 16 and gives the military casualties as one severely wounded. No police casualties are mentioned.

The statement says that the details are still in doubt and that no information has yet been received regarding the ambush of police reinforcements from Clonmel.

The inhabitants of the countryside are in a state of terror and many are fleeing from their homes. The first conflict occurred early in the day at the foot of Slievenamon hill. After a short fight the military lorry got through and sent a message to Callan for reinforcements. In this instance it is believed the ambushers escaped unscathed.

Reinforcements of Royal Irish Constabulary and soldiers left Callan late in the afternoon and when about two miles out ran into another ambush near Carrick, Glicken, the Earl of Ossory's shooting lodge. At the first volley from the ambushing party, the soldiers and police dismounted from the lorry and spread out, and a brisk fight ensued, the fighting being intense.

The fighting was still in progress when County Inspector Whyte of Kilkenny, with a dozen men of the Constabulary, dashed up on another lorry, running into the thick of it. It was now becoming dark and the police lorry was subjected to a veritable hail of bullets. It was riddled, and Sgt. Walsh was shot through the head, dying instantly. Shannon received wounds in the head and arms. The battle was very fierce. District Inspector Bayneham had a narrow escape, his rifle being shattered in his hand.

About the same time, reinforcements from Clonmel were attacked near Glenbowee, where the biggest battle of the day occurred.

20 Killed in Ireland in Week
LONDON, Dec. 22.—Twenty persons were killed in Ireland during the last week-end, according to a statement made in the house of commons yesterday by Sir Hamar Greenwood, chief secretary for Ireland. In reply to a question, Sir Hamar said three persons were murdered by unknown individuals. The others were civilians Sinn Féiners, who were killed while attacking crown forces or attempting to evade arrest.

Attack on Cork Postoffice
CORK, Dec. 22.—Armed men last night raided the parcels department of the postoffice. The invaders leveled their revolvers at members of the staff and citizens in the building, but the police on duty promptly opened fire. In the exchange of shots one raider was killed and several persons wounded including members of the raiding gang who were taken into custody. Troops quickly surrounded the building. A simultaneous attempt was made to raid the auxiliary postoffice in Douglas street. This attempt failed.

FUNERAL NOTICES

MELLIOTT—Died Dec. 21, Mrs. Mary F. Collins Melliott. Funeral will take place on Friday morning at 8 o'clock from her late home, Salem road, Billerica, Mass. Funeral high mass of requiem will be sung at St. Andrew's church, North Billerica, at 2 o'clock. Burial will take place in St. Patrick's cemetery, Lowell. The funeral arrangements will be in charge of Undertakers M. H. McDougall Sons.

WITKIN—The funeral of Stanislaw Rutyna will take place Thursday morning at 7 o'clock from the home of her parents, 11 Burken Hill ave. Funeral mass will be celebrated at Holy Trinity church at 9 o'clock. Burial will take place in St. Patrick's cemetery. Undertaker Jos. Sadowski in charge.

HARRY—The funeral of William T. Harry will take place Thursday afternoon from the home of his parents, Patrick and Lucy Harry, 159 Grand street, at 2:30 o'clock. Interment will be in St. Patrick's cemetery. Undertaker Peter H. Savage in charge of funeral arrangements.

IN MEMORIAM

In memory of Julia Murray, who died Dec. 22, 1918:
Think you that we're ever without you,
That we lose for an instant your face,
Or the charm that shone always about you
Of your subtle ineffable grace?
With the ties of affection most dear
We feel thy sweet spirit is near.

HER LOVING FAMILY.

HELD IN PLOT AGAINST MEXICO

SAN ANTONIO, Tex., Dec. 22.—Two prominent Mexicans were held today and the apprehension of others was expected as the result of federal indictments brought here yesterday, charging them with conspiring to set on foot upon United States soil, a military expedition against Mexico. Francisco Vazquez Gomez, an associate of Francisco Madero, when the latter was a candidate for the presidency, and Leon J. Laurel, were arrested last night.

Fund is Still Growing

Continued
\$10 will feed a European child for a year, and that there are few Christmas gifts that are likely to bring greater returns of satisfaction than giving the food that will save the life of a starving little one.

It is reported that the work of gathering funds for the children is progressing well in some of the towns around Lowell. Committees in charge of the drive have been organized in Chelmsford, Tyngsboro and Westford. The Chelmsford committee, that is making an excellent showing, is composed of Mrs. Edith Hemmingsway, Mrs. John B. Emerson, Mrs. Edward Hoyle, Mrs. Charles Davino and Mrs. Fred Snow.

The subscription list at noon today was as follows:

Previously acknowledged	\$5591.58
Albert D. Carter	1000.00
George C. Moore	100.00
Mrs. Josiah Butler	50.00
Friend	50.00
A Chelmsford Friend	50.00
Miss J. Hyman	50.00
E. S. Hyman	25.00
Miss Josie Hyman	10.00
Mrs. and Mrs. Josiah Butler	25.00
Central M.E. Sunday school	21.48
Mr. and Mrs. C. E. O'Brien	20.00
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Blanchard E. Pratt	20.00
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Philathen class, First Congregational church	12.00
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Philip S. Maiden	10.00
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N. G. N.	10.00
Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Ramsey	10.00
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Mr. and Mrs. Royal P. White	10.00
H. H. Landis	10.00
Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Davis	10.00
Ellis A. Whitcomb	10.00
E. D. and M. J. S.	10.00
Roger Hall school (additional)	10.00
Edward C. Burke	10.00
Moses Marks	10.00
Sam Walter Post club	10.00
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Mr. M. L. Lisle Fox	10.00
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Richard Baker Nelson	5.00
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Hector E. French	5.00
N. J. Peavey	5.00
Mrs. Elizabeth Kelly	5.00
Frank W. Hall	5.00
Grace Starr Hadley	5.00
A Family	5.00
M. S. Williams	5.00
Four "Friends" at 15 each	20.00
Progressive Spiritualist church	3.00
C. B. Carter	2.00
Four "Friends" at 12 each	5.00
S. E. Collins	1.00
Five "Friends" at 11 each	5.00
Mr. and Mrs. A. D. Sargent	20.00
Chess H. Horton	10.00
A. Woolfenden	10.00
Friend	10.00
Henry F. Eastman	10.00
A Friend	1.00
Charles Stacy French	2.00
Arthur J. Dixon	5.00
James B. Russell	5.00
Stephen T. Whittier	10.00
Ruth C. Preston	10.00
A Friend	5.00
George T. Trull	10.00
Mr. and Mrs. Clive E. Hooker	10.00
Mr. and Mrs. Clive E. Hooker	10.00
Mr. Vincent Hookmeyer	20.00
Willie E. Morse	5.00
A Friend	1.00
Dr. Wm. M. Jones	50.00
Stephen W. Abbott	10.00
Mr. and Mrs. Thomas H. Elliott	100.00
Charles Averard	25.00
Am. Mason Safety Bread Co.	25.00
Mrs. Edwin R. Clark	10.00
Friend	2.00
Clara E. Sexton	10.00
Lowell Order, E. Wal. Brn.	50.00
Mr. and Mrs. Henj. S. Bouzner	10.00
Chas. S. and Cyrus Elder	25.00
Mother	5.00
Percy J. Wilson	5.00
Friend	5.00
Friend	2.00
Nellie W. Slater	5.00
Mr. and Mrs. Paul R. Bacheider	10.00
Friend	5.00
Friend	1.00
A Mother	1.00
Friend	1.00
Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Wilson	10.00
Total	\$122.06

IN THE POLICE COURT

Woman Fined for Larceny—\$150 Fine in Liquor Case—Other Cases

In police court today Marie Silva pleaded guilty to the larceny of goods valued at about \$10 from the A. G. Pollard Co. on Sept. 21, last. She was given a suspended sentence of six months in the house of correction on payment of expenses. Defendant's arrest for larceny revealed other alleged charges, about which the vice squad officers testified.

August Edward and Lottie St. George, charged with lewd and lascivious cohabitation, were given sentences of six months in the house of correction, suspended for six months. On a charge of illegal keeping of liquor, Edward was also found guilty and fined \$150. Both were arrested in a raid made by Vice Squad Officers Moore and Conroy, on a house at the corner of Suffolk and Merrimack streets recently.

Allice G. Savard and Blanche A. Lambert, charged with being lewd in behavior since May 1, 1920, were found guilty. The first was given a suspended sentence to the Massachusetts reformatory and the latter continued under \$300 bonds until tomorrow for sentence. They were taken in the raid at the corner of Suffolk and Merrimack streets.

Georgiana Marcotte of Providence, R. I., and John Campbell were found guilty of illegal cohabitation. The latter was sentenced to the Massachusetts reformatory and appealed, while the man appealed a sentence of six months to the house of correction. Both were held under bonds of \$300.

Samuel Padon, charged with a violation of the labor laws by not providing suitable and adequate sanitary facilities for his employees, was put over until Jan. 18.

The complaint against Vincenzo Caselle of assault with a dangerous weapon upon his wife, was dismissed this morning because of lack of evidence.

The wife, who was in the hospital for about three weeks, treated for severe abrasions to her head, received, the police allege, at the hands of her husband, refused to testify against him.

Of the drunkenness cases called, John Murphy was sent to the house of correction for three months and John McNamara was fined \$10.

AMERICAN PLANE FLIES 225 MILES IN MEXICO

VERA CRUZ, Dec. 22.—An American airplane driven by Fernando Prout, a Mexican aviator, with August Hemmings as mechanic, flew from Mexico City to Vera Cruz yesterday, a distance of 225 miles, in 10 hours, 20 minutes and 20 seconds. The principal object of the flight was to determine the feasibility of an aerial mail service between Mexico City, Puebla and Vera Cruz.

The aviators maintained a speed of 25 miles an hour. It was necessary for the aircraft to reach a height of 15,000 feet in crossing the mountain range in the western part of the state of Vera Cruz.

DEATHS

HARRY—William T. Harry, infant son of Patrick and Lucy Barry, died this morning at the home of his parents, 159 Grand street, aged 21 days.

RUTYNA—Died in this city, Dec. 21, at her parents' home, 41 Burken Hill avenue, Stanislaw Rutyna, aged 12 years, 1 month and 23 days. She leaves, beside her parents, three sisters, Lillian, Mary and Helen, and three brothers, William, Walter and Edward.

ROUETTE—Henri, aged 10 months and 23 days, infant son of Noe and Marie Louise Rouette, died this morning at the home of his parents, 125 Albia street. Burial took place at 2 o'clock this afternoon in St. Joseph's cemetery under the direction of Undertaker Joseph Albert.

LAROCHELLE—Marie, aged 20 days, infant daughter of Joseph and Elise Larochelle, died this morning at the home of her parents, 6 East Pine st. Burial took place this afternoon at 2 o'clock in St. Joseph's cemetery under the direction of Undertaker Joseph Albert.

MATTHEWMAN—Charles B. Matthewman died this morning at the home of his daughter, Mrs. Samuel McQuaid, 5 Colson street, North Billerica, aged 77 years. He leaves besides his daughter, one son, John A. Matthewman, of Honolulu, two sons, grandchildren. He was a past master Wooster Lodge A.F. and A.M. and New Haven commandery No. 2, Knights Templar of New Haven, Conn. was a member of Connecticut Bar association, and served as city clerk at New Haven for eight years. He was also a member of the Veteran Grays and a life member of the Republican club of New Haven, Conn. Burial will be at New Haven, Conn.

FUNERALS

WATERS—The funeral services of Mrs. Mary J. Waters were held yesterday at the Old Ladies home, 529 Fletcher street and were largely attended. Rev. Chauncey J. Hawkins, pastor of the First Congregational church, officiated. There were many flowers. The bearers were Joseph W. Griffin, Walter H. Hoyt, Charles M. Kirby and George A. Antonas. Burial took place in Townsend Mass. The funeral arrangements were in charge of Undertaker William H. Saunders.

WHITWORTH—The funeral services of Thomas Whitworth were held yesterday afternoon at the home of his son, Albert Whitworth, 15 Fairfax street and were largely attended. Nathan W. Matthews, pastor of the First Primitive Methodist church, officiated. There were many floral tributes. The bearers were Albert, Ernest and Jesse Whitworth and Joseph Hall. Burial took place in the family lot in the Lowell cemetery, where the committal service was read by Rev. Mr. Matthews. The funeral arrangements were in charge of Undertaker William H. Saunders.

PIERCE—The funeral of Mrs. Barbara Pierce took place this morning from her late home, 4 Woodbury st., at 8 o'clock and was largely attended by sorrowing relatives. Rev. Mr. Matthews, pastor of the First Congregational church, officiated. The funeral procession proceeded to St. Patrick's church where at 9 o'clock a mass was celebrated by Rev. Mr. Matthews. The burial took place in the family lot in the Lowell cemetery, where the committal service was read at the grave by Rev. Mr. Keenan. Funeral arrangements were in charge of Undertakers O'Connell & Fay.

LAWSON—The funeral of John Lawson, who died Sunday at Plymouth, N. H., was held yesterday from his home. The remains arrived in Lowell on the 1 o'clock train and burial was in the family lot in St. Patrick's cemetery, in charge of a funeral Director James W. McKenna.

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\$12.50 and \$15.00 SILK SHIRTS, now	\$7.95
\$3.00 SOFT CUFF SHIRTS, fast colors	\$1.50
\$5.00 SOFT CUFF SHIRTS	\$2.95, 2 for \$5.00
\$3.50 DOMET FLANNEL PAJAMAS	2 for \$5.00
\$3.00 PEERLESS UNION SUITS	2 for \$3.00
75c TRIPLETOE CASHMERE HOSE	2 for \$1.00
75c TRIPLETOE LISLE HOSE	2 for \$1.00
\$6.00 PLYMOUTH BUCKSKIN GLOVES	\$4.85
\$6.00 GENUINE MOCHA GLOVES	\$4.85
\$5.00 GREY MOCHA GLOVES	\$3.85
\$9.00 HAIR LINED MOCHA GLOVES	\$7.45
\$3.00 GARTER, SUSPENDERS and ARM BANDS SETS	\$2.00
\$2.00 BELT and GARTER SETS	\$1.50
\$1.50 BELT, GARTERS and SUSPENDERS SETS	\$1.00
\$1.25 SUSPENDERS and GARTER SETS	\$1.00

BOYS' DEPARTMENT

\$11.00 and \$15.00 "TEDDY" ANGORA SUITS	\$7.50
\$3.00 BLACK PLUSH POLO CAPS, double band	\$1.48
65c INSIDE BAND CAPS	39c
48c KNITTED HOCKEY CAPS	29c
\$3.00 BOYS' SHIRTS	\$1.98
65c "BLACK CAT" STOCKINGS	55c
\$1.79 BOYS' UNION SUITS	\$1.25
\$25.00 BOYS' OVERCOATS	\$15.00

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Mr. and Mrs. Harry J. Marek of this city acted as best man and bridesmaid at the marriage of Mr. Moses Kambergian and Miss Esthene Hapoplian, which took place in Lawrence last Saturday.

The following residents of Chelmsford called on the "City of Rome" of the Savannah Inn for Florida yesterday: Mr. and Mrs. C. Seales, Mr. and Mrs. Everett Whitcomb, Mr. and Mrs. William H. Shedd and E. A. Bartlett.

William N. Goodell, president of the chamber of commerce, appeared before the special legislative committee appointed to draw up an act to regulate the sale of securities in this state in Boston today to relate some of the experiences of the local chamber in this work.

Miss Annie E. Hoyle, of 531 Pawtucket street, has sent a check for \$50 to Chief Edward F. Saunders, of the local fire department for the Firemen's Relief association in appreciation of the efforts of members of the local department in saving much of value in a recent fire in her home.

There will be no collection of ashes or garbage by employees of the health department on Saturday Christmas day. Christmas is one of the few holidays in the entire year when these men enjoy. The usual Saturday collections in Belvidere will be deferred to Monday.

Members of the Educational club enjoyed a delightful Christmas program at their regular meeting yesterday afternoon. Rev. E. W. A. Jenkinson, pastor of the Dracut Centre Congregational church, entertained with Christmas stories and Christmas poems by G. K. Chesterton were also enjoyed.

No action was taken by the chamber of commerce transportation committee at its meeting last evening on the choice of a successor to Traffic Manager W. F. Whitcomb, who has resigned. A dozen or so applicants for the position were considered but it was finally decided to adjourn for a week during which time the committee will have a chance to learn more about the applicants. The committee extended a vote of thanks to Mr. Whitcomb for his able management of the traffic department since he took charge.

The Chinese have a peculiar reverence for printed matter.

Act to Stop Auto Banditry

BALTIMORE, Md., Dec. 22.—A force of motorcycle police to patrol the state roads in an effort to stop automobile banditry, will be inaugurated at once, Governor Ritchie announced today.

Wilful Murder and Suicide

LONDON, Dec. 22.—The coroner's jury which held an inquest into the deaths of Miss Sophia Erica Taylor, a dancer, and George Augustus Kelly, of Omaha, Neb., today returned a verdict of wilful murder and suicide against Kelly.

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